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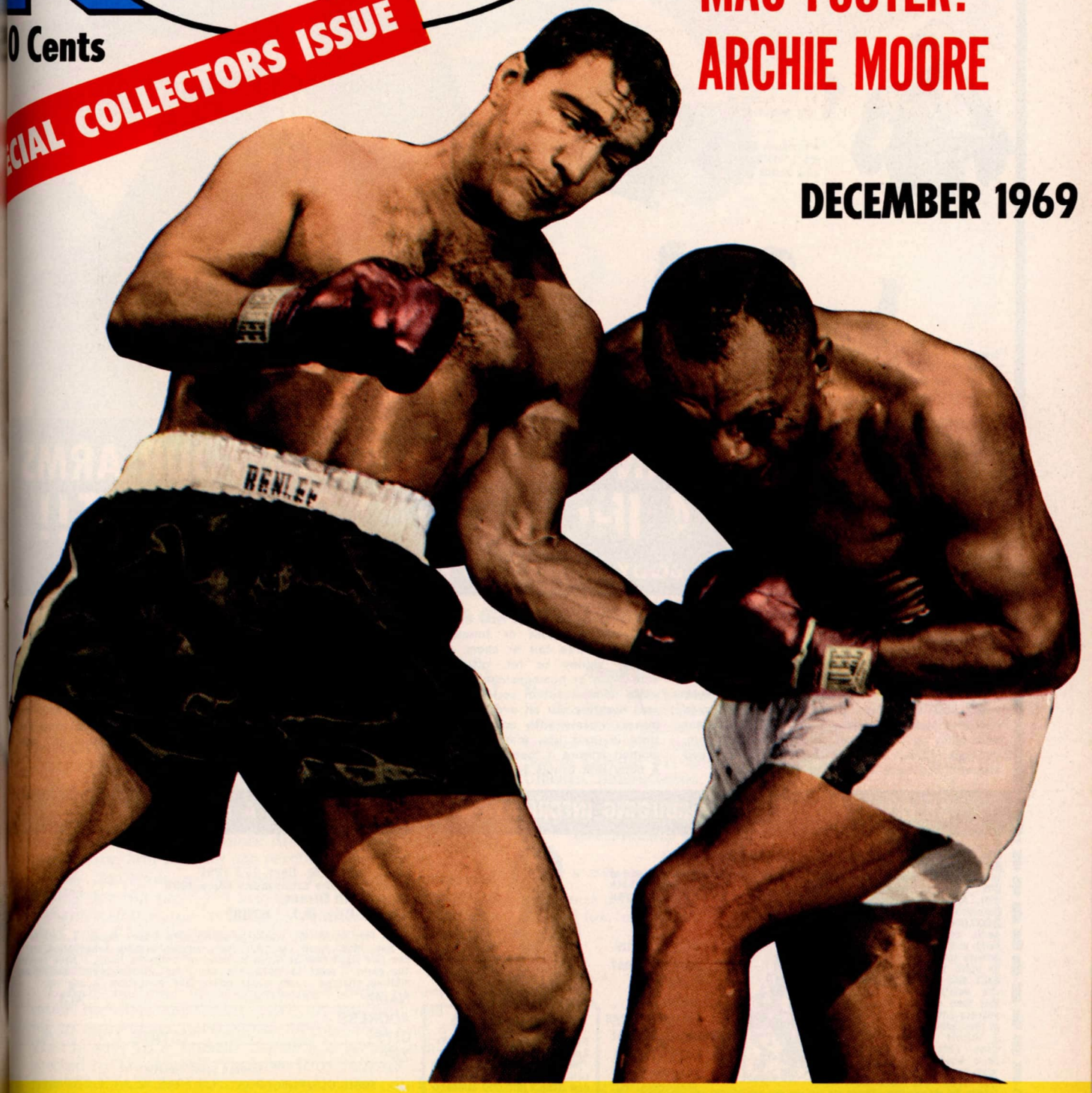

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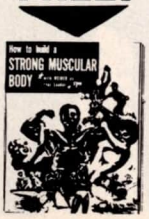

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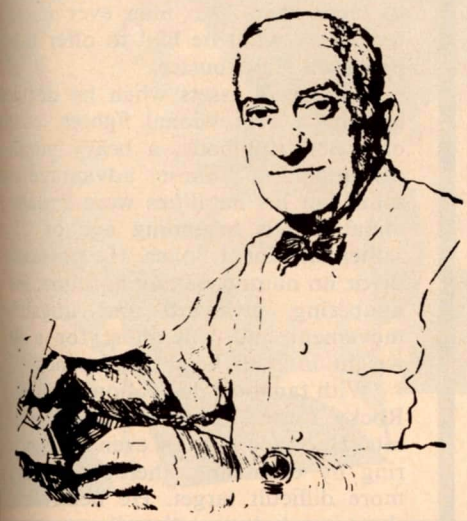


Speaks Out !!!

FLEISCHER

I AM delighted that New York finally has aroused itself to a realization that, while heavyweights hold a ominent place in boxing, and ring pro-otion, they are not the constituents of e only interesting and profitable divi-ion.

The success of Mexican boxers in sses below the middleweight—Ruben lvares, bantam; Jose Napoles, welter; d Efren Torres, flyweight—has served draw strident attention to these cate-ories.

We may add the featherweights, as ell, because Vicente Saldivar, who held e title in that class before his retire-ent, has returned to action and is a althy threat to Johnny Famechon.

Harry Markson, director of boxing in adison Square Garden, New York, s been making efforts to set up action sub-middleweight classes, as well as e middleweight, light heavy and heavy-eight.

I hope that Markson will be success-l. But he has a tough row to hoe if he nts to line up Torres, Napoles and lvares. They are firmly attached to eorge Parnassus, who promotes at In-ewood, Cal., in Jack Kent Cooke's rum.

Time was when New York was the w case for all boxing categories, the eight included.

Well do I remember Frankie Genaro, Midget Wolgast, Corporal Izzy Schwartz, Benny Lynch, Spider Pladner, and Small Montana in flyweight action.

Well do I remember the Jimmy Wilde-Pancho Villa title fight in New York, at the Polo Grounds, in June, 1923.

Pancho stopped the game little Briton in seven rounds and gained recognition as the class champion, even though he had been beaten by Genaro. Villa died in 1925 and Genaro claimed the title.

New York figured large in bantamweight action years ago, and would welcome the class back enthusiastically if the proper quality of competition were maintained.

The great George Dixon drew the spotlight on the bantams in 1891 by knocking out Cal McCarthy in 22 rounds, in Troy, N.Y.

In 1899, Terry McGovern created quite a stir among the bantams by knocking out Pedlar Palmer, of England, in the first round at Tuckahoe, N.Y., just over the New York city line.

Later came Kid Williams, Pete Herman, Joe Lynch, Johnny Buff, Bud Taylor, Harry Jeffra, Lou Salica, and Manuel Ortiz.

As for the welters, their New York vogue goes back to Kid McCoy, Tommy Ryan, Billy Smith, Rube Ferns, the incredible Joe Walcott, Dixie Kid, Ted Kid Lewis, Jack Britton, Mickey Walker and Pete Latzo.

New York is ready and eager to welcome back the Dead Classes—dead insofar as Gotham exposure is concerned.

New York hasn't seen a big fight involving the welter title since December 10, 1965, when Emile Griffith outpointed Manny Gonzalez in 15 rounds, in the Garden.

Gotham has not seen a bantam championship fight on a grand scale since September 23, 1937. That night Harry Jeffra outpointed Sixto Escobar in 15 rounds at the Polo Grounds. The following February, Escobar regained the title, in Puerto Rico.

The flyweight championship has not been up for grabs in New York since December 26, 1930, when Frankie Genaro and Midget Wolgast fought 15 rounds to a draw. The previous March, Wolgast outpointed Black Bill in 15 in the Big City.

Featherweight fighting in New York has a long and vivid history, playing up some of the greats of boxing annals. As for the lightweights, who will forget the heyday of Benny Leonard, New York's own?

New York would like to see Vicente Saldivar, back from his brief retirement, fight Johnny Famechon for the title. But it is difficult for me to envision the Garden giving to Vicente the financial recognition he would get in Los Angeles, with its large population of Mexican fight buffs.

Nor does it appear likely that New York will see lightweight champion Mando Ramos defend his title in the Garden.

That Markson will line up the Frazier-Ellis fight, at long last, appears to be certain at this time. You never can tell how this negotiation will go.

Ellis has been mending the nose fracture he suffered in the fight with Floyd Patterson, and Frazier has been reluctant to battle again this year because of the tax situation.

Time was when fighters fought, and to hell with the income taxes. But your up to date boxer of today fights with his eyes on his accountant's report.

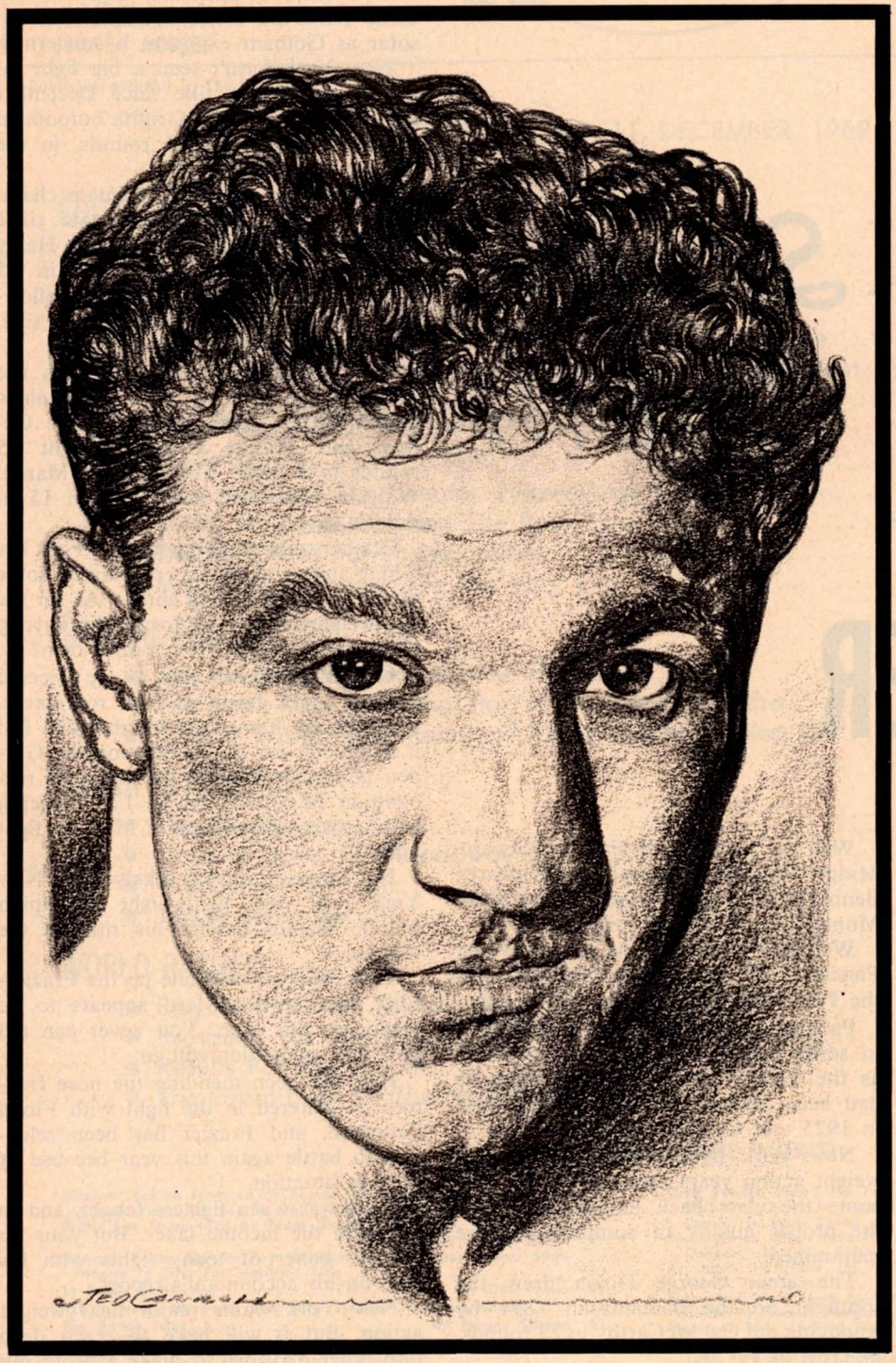
New York wants major heavyweight action. But it will have to reach deep into other divisions to make a profit out of boxing in the Garden.

Hanging around waiting for the heavies is not going to be so profitable, especially as the big men want so much of the pie, with ice cream on top.

I don't envy the task of the Garden's Markson. But his situation can be repaired and New York once again can become the Showcase of American boxing.

The situation calls for acumen, and Harry has it. It also calls for strong financial support, and the Garden certainly has that.

By TED CARR



Rocky Marciano

1923-1969

ROCKY Marciano is gone, lon fore his allotted time. But lesson of his life will linger long as men have goals and the ambi to reach them. No man ever made ter use of what he had to offer than Brockton Blockbuster.

Marciano's assets when he decided become a professional fighter, consis of a powerful body, a heavy punch determination. These advantages solid, but his liabilities were equally midable. His beginning age of 25 rather late for a boxer. He possessed tle or no natural boxing aptitude. He lumbering, awkward and ungainly movement and was short for a hea weight in both height and reach.

With fanatical dedication and iron Rocky turned these drawbacks into sets. He made himself even shorter in ring by crouching, thereby becoming more difficult target. He neutralized short reach by continually pressing ward. Realizing that classic boxing beyond his limits, he turned his awkwa ness into a puzzling forearm-barricade defense which opponents found hard penetrate. Through long hours of pra tice he developed a left hook which su plemented his looping right. He sadd himself with a monastic life of inte conditioning throughout his boxing reer, swapping youthful pleasures wifely companionship for a Spartan istence. This sacrifice gave him unb lievable endurance and stamina.

Marciano drained the last bit of ma age out of what he had to start wi turning his minuses into plusses. Ti after time in his fighting days his st and dedication turned impending def into victory. Against Jersey Joe Walc in the match in which he became cha pion, half-blinded and blinking from medication which had dripped into h eyes, Rocky persisted doggedly until t condition cleared itself up. Against Lou he was unable to avoid Joe's pole-axi left jab. Marciano later admitted, couldn't avoid it. I just had to take it my face was sore for a week after t fight." But he persevered until he finall caught up with the fading Brown Bomb er. Few fighters have suffered damage a serious as the deep nose wound Marcia no received in his second fight with Ez zard Charles, but he came on to win.

All of us, whatever our life's objec tives, would do well to ponder the Mar ciano predilection for turning liabilities into assets, and getting the last ounce o effectiveness out of whatever natural gifts—no matter how slight—fortune has granted us. As the career of Rocky Mar ciano—the only undefeated heavyweigh

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ROCKY MARCIANO: THE FIGHTER AND THE MAN

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Was Marciano The Greatest Heavyweight?

By NAT FLEISCHER

BROCKTON BLOCKBUSTER RATED TENTH BY FLEISCHER AND FIRST BY COMPUTER

Here are two of the greatest as Rocky Marciano poses with Jack Dempsey, the old Manassa Mauler. In the computer heavyweight tournament, the Brockton Blockbuster stopped Dempsey in the 15th round of the championship final.

HOW good was Rocky Marciano, heavyweight champion of the world from September 23, 1952, when he knocked out Jersey Joe Walcott in the 13th round, until, undefeated in 49 consecutive fights, he retired on April 27, 1956?

This is not to be regarded as a challenge to Rocky, or his class, his memory, his exemplary standing as a fighter, gentleman, quality technician, power puncher and friend.

Rather is this a studied review of Marciano's fistic rating in the face of claims made for him in the direction of heights which were not universally claimed for him before he crashed in a small private plane near Newton, Iowa, on the night of August 31, the eve of his 46th birthday.

There are students of boxing—knowing ones, too—who insist that Marciano came close to being the No. 1 heavyweight of all time.

There are others—knowing ones, too—who view Rocky's achievements and class in a more proper perspective.

The man from whom Marciano took the championship at Philadelphia, the clever Walcott, was a masterful technician. But Rocco was the harder hitter, and thereby hangs his rating.

The six men whom Marciano failed to stop were Don Mogard, Providence, 10 rounds, May 23, 1949; Ted Lowry, Providence, 10 rounds, October 10, 1949; Roland La Starza,

New York, 10 rounds, March 24, 1950; Ted Lowry, a second time, Providence, 10 rounds, November 13, 1950; Red Applegate, Providence, 10 rounds, April 30, 1951; and Ezzard Charles, New York, 15 rounds, June 17, 1954.

Marciano defended the world title only five times, and Charles was the one challenger who went the distance with him.

Those whom champion Marciano stopped were; Roland LaStarza, 11 rounds; Ezzard Charles, 8 rounds; Don Cockell, 9 rounds; and Archie Moore, 9 rounds.

Only twice during his title tenure was Rocco knocked down. He hit the deck for four in the second round of the Moore fight, and took a count of two in his first encounter with Walcott, in the opening round.

After family pressure had induced Marciano to hang up his gloves, there was no strident claim for all time supremacy on behalf of Marciano.

However, in 1967 the Woroner people in Miami jammed the records of all the heavyweight greats into a giant computer, and in December of that year came up with an electronic meeting of Rocky and Jack Dempsey in the final of the imaginary tournament.

Much to the amazement of even those who had viewed the computer fights as nothing more than machine-made phantasies, the title meeting produced a 15-round knockout of Dempsey.

An inconoclastic machine had confounded the experts and challenged them to defend the lesser role in the all time ratings which they had been according to Marciano.

The experts were taunted by critics from all over the world.

"A fat lot you guys know, when a machine can make suckers of you and tell the true story," was the general format of retorts which poured into the Ring Magazine and still do.

However, the computer's evidence certainly finds no place in the final assessment of Marciano's skill, power, and comparative position among the greatest heavyweights.

Dead or alive, Marciano has to be reckoned with as a powerful entity in the history of boxing, and in the annals of the unlimited weight division.

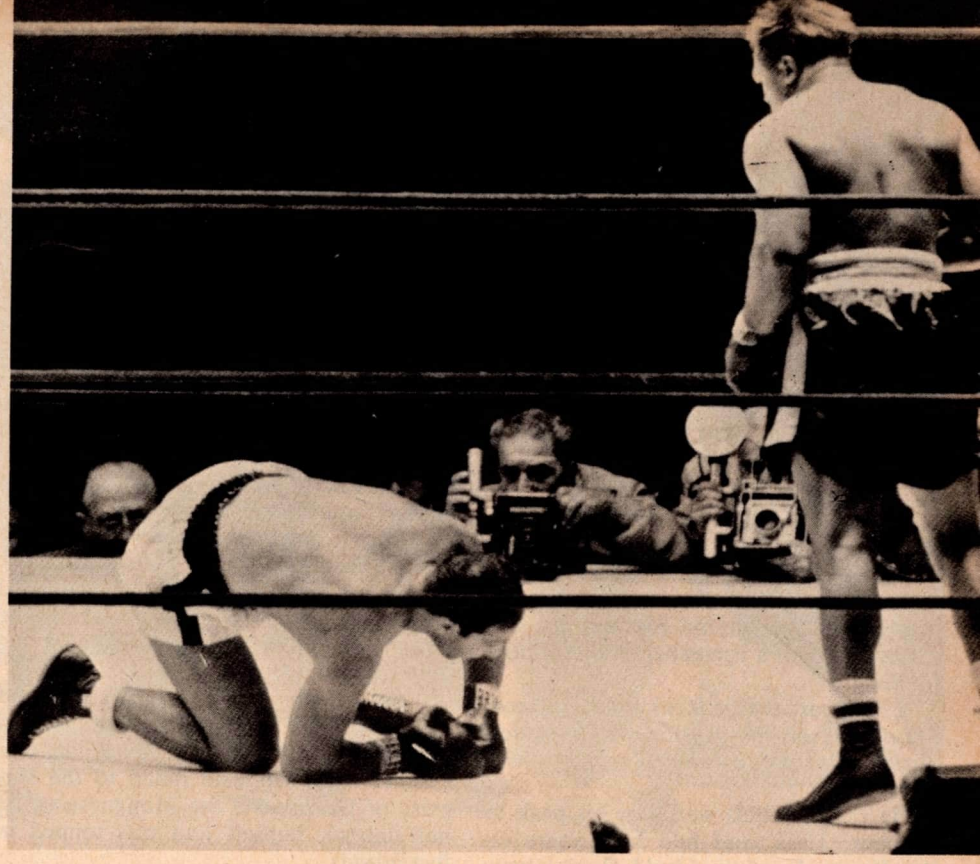
But to raise Rocky out of tenth place would be a presumption which could not possibly be supported by the facts, by the records, by Rocky himself if he were around to discuss that topic.

The man never claimed superlative mastery for himself. He was modest, he was accomplished, he was great, a splendid battler, a game competitor, a faultless husband and a dutiful father. I will miss him very much as a friend.

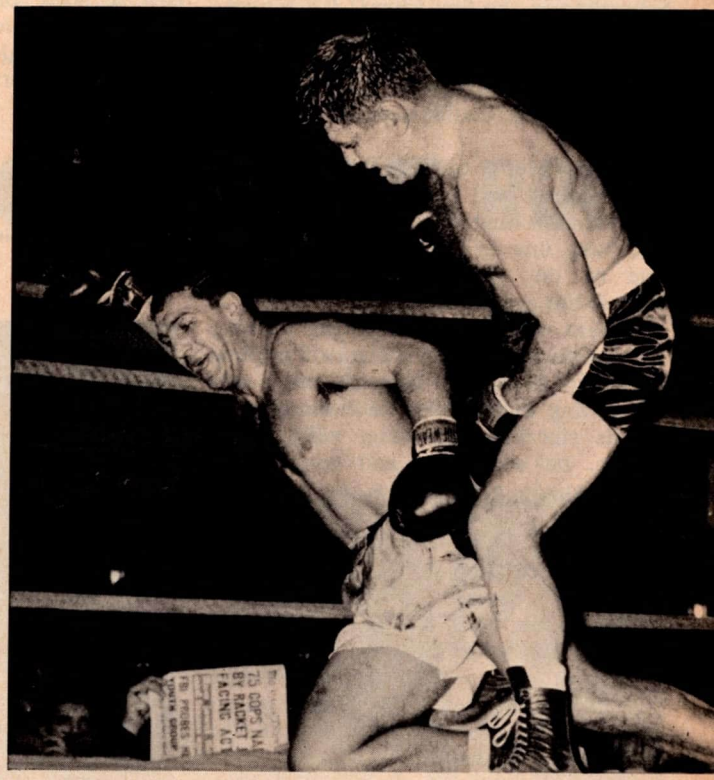
Why is my rating of Marciano no better than tenth? This may demand explanation.

A fighter's location in the world ratings is arrived at through assessment of his punching power, his stamina, boxing ability, rallying determination, ability to recover from punishing blows, a deadly flair for the fast knockout, scientific recovery from threatening difficulties, and ardent pursuit of his profession.

Broadly considered, all this comes down to judgment on the basis of two main categories—boxing skill and knockout power.



Here's the Rock on the floor in the second round of his bout with Archie Moore at New York's Yankee Stadium on Sept. 21, 1955. Marciano came back, however, to KO Ol' Arch in nine rounds. It was Marciano's final ring appearance.



Marciano pulls himself up after slipping to the canvas in the fifth round of his contest with veteran Lee Savold in Philadelphia on February 13, 1952. In the next round Rocky halted his opponent.

Rated on the basis of power, Marciano rightly belongs much higher than tenth. Just where has yet to be determined. Possibly in the company of Dempsey and Louis.

In the matter of boxing skill, finesse and acutely defensive rarities, he did not achieve sufficient command to lift him out of tenth place.

Marciano, as the world champion, had consummate strength and muscular prowess. He had outstanding stamina. He never went into a ring out of condition. He pursued an ascetic life as top title contender and then as champion.

Marciano could dish it out, and he could take it.

This highly valuable combination of abilities made him as dangerous a foe as the heavyweight class has produced.

In assessing Marciano's all time location we must examine him in his surroundings as a contender, and as a titleholder.

It is apparent that Rocky did not have the quality of competition which existed during Dempsey's and Tunney's heydays.

He caught Louis well past his peak in October, 1951, and had nine years on the Brown Bomber. Could Rocky have stopped Joe when Louis knocked out Max Schmeling in the first round? It's a question. Could Rocky have beaten Gene Tunney the rainy night the Marine took the title from Dempsey? That's another question. Jack could sock, Gene could box.

In any event, comparisons aside and conclusions based on fancies barred, the fact remains that the Rock was one of the best, one of the most determined, one of the gamest fighters the sour science has produced.

A visit with Marciano during training for a title fight was a delightful experience. No swank, no pretense, no bunk, no putting on airs. He assessed himself at his sincere worth. He withheld no replies, he was clean and cooperative, unpretentious and sincere, truthful and never evasive.

Marciano and Al Weill, his crafty manager, broke up just as Dempsey and Jack Kearns severed their partnership.

No matter what the reasons for the Weill break with the Brockton Blockbuster, the fact is that Al did a clever job of directing Rocco through the mazes of preparation for the title, and through his five bouts in defense.

Now, Marciano is gone, and Weill is in a nursing home with nothing but good things to say about his onetime charge, if he would say them.

With Marciano gone, we have eleven heavyweight champions—Cassius Clay, Sonny Liston, Floyd Patterson, Ingemar Johansson, Jersey Joe Walcott, Ezzard Charles, Joe Louis, Jim Braddock, Jack Sharkey, Gene Tunney and Jack Dempsey.

Rocky is the second former titleholder to die a violent death. Johnson was the first. Jack died in June, 1946, in an automobile smashup near Raleigh, N.C. He was a speed nut.

Although, in April 1956, Marciano found nobody worth while challenging him, and discovered himself in a plight which prompted Jeffries to announce his retirement in July 1905—it is conceivable that Rocky would have continued in the ring if Barbara, his wife, and his mother, Lena, had not beseeched him to quit.

Mrs. Rocky pleaded for a home life and a family solidarity which were denied to her and her daughter Mary, now 16, and his folks.

Marciano confessed that he had tired of the long training regimen and, in the interest of family harmony, quit the ring at the age of 33.

This left the title up for grabs, and Patterson and Archie Moore started grabbing. They met in Chicago on November 30, 1956, and much to the surprise of the experts the Mongoose could not untrack himself and was topped in five rounds.

Every now and then Marciano promised a book on his career. Al Weill planned a movie. Neither the book nor the biographical picture developed.

Marciano's first love was baseball. He signed up with the farm system of the Cubs but got a sore arm—and sore catchers were virtually useless, as they still are.

Marciano went from muscle job to job. For a year he laid gas mains in Brockton. Then he became interested in boxing, and developed quite a reputation as an amateur. He lost only one bout in the watches and medals ranks, to Coley Wallace.

The professional boxing situation pleaded for a power puncher, and that's just what Rocco Marchegiano became.

Gene Caggiano, in Brockton, spotted the Golconda which lay in Marciano's fists and moved him into the pro-ranks on March 17, 1947. Rock met Lee Epperson in Holyoke, Mass. and demolished him in three rounds.

Fighting exclusively in Providence, Marciano registered seven straight KOs. On September 30, 1948, Marciano ventured afield and scored a one round KO over Gil Cardione, in Washington.

It wasn't long before Caggiano was ousted as Rocky's manager. The precise details of this takeover never have been dug out. Weill moved in and there was more frequent mention in the sports pages about a burly strong boy in Brockton named Marciano.

As Rocky hung up one KO after another he posed a mystery. He could not stop a heavyweight named Ted Lowry. Ted held him off in a couple of ten rounders in Providence.

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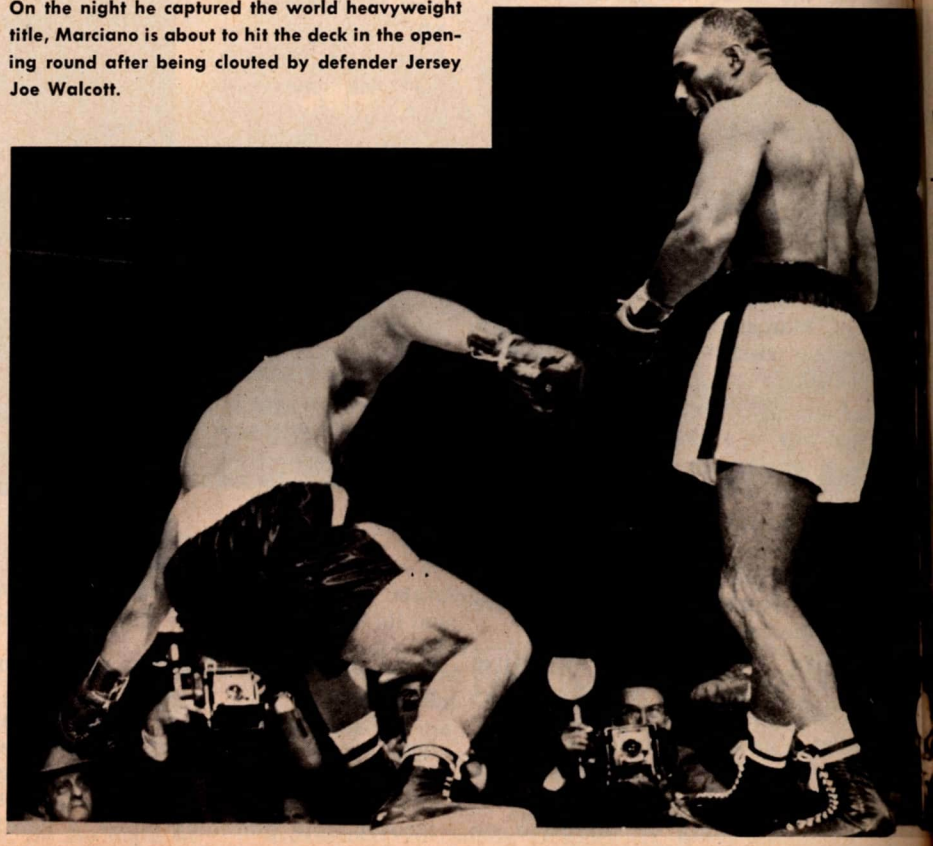
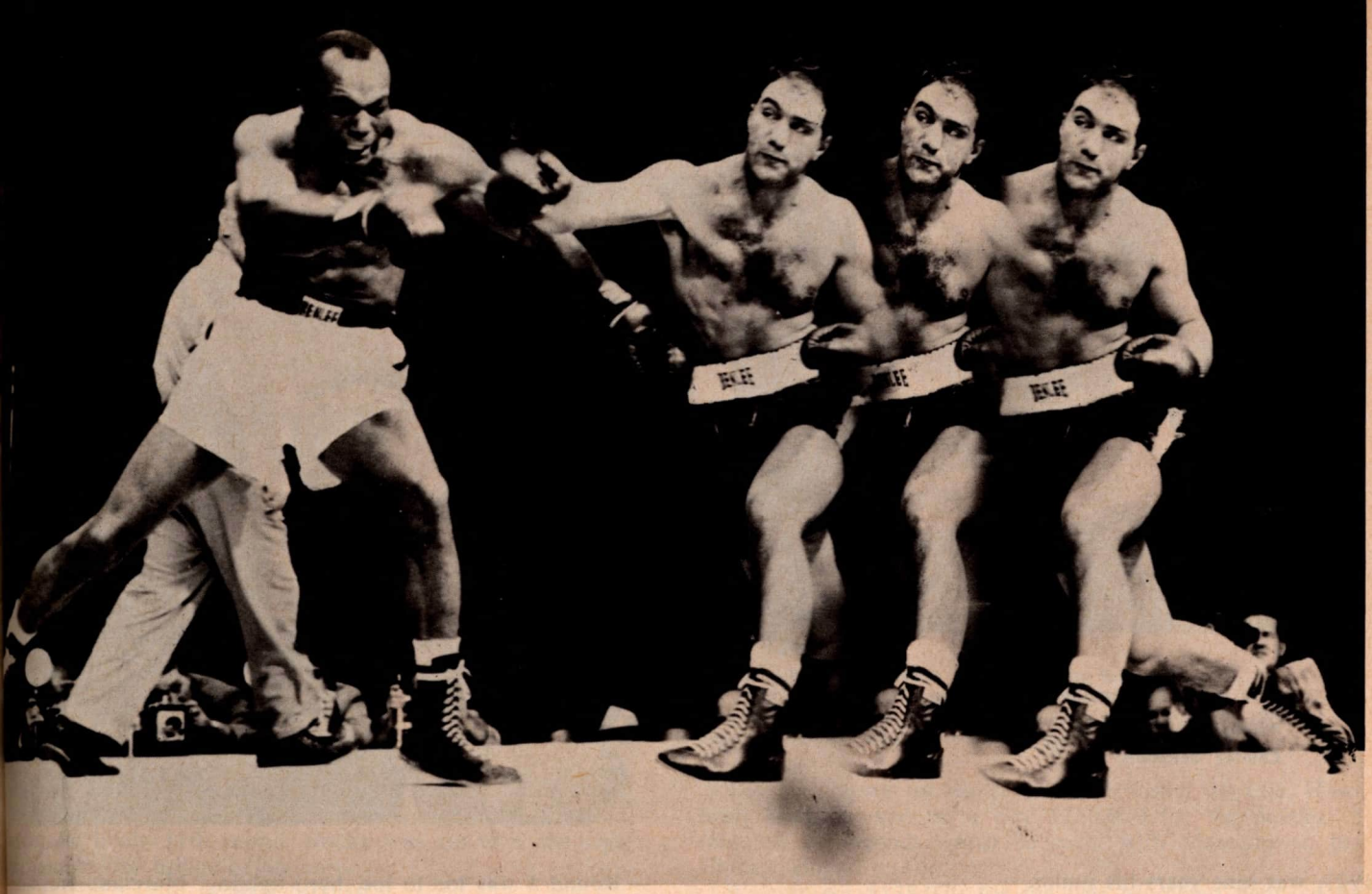
On the night he captured the world heavyweight title, Marciano is about to hit the deck in the opening round after being clouted by defender Jersey Joe Walcott.





Here is a trick shot taken on the night Marciano won the world title from Walcott in Philadelphia. It must have seemed to Jersey Joe that there were three men in the ring with him from the force of the powerful blow.

WEILL, GOLDMAN POLISHED THE ROCK

By NAT FLEISCHER

IN telling the story of Rocky Marciano wresting the world heavyweight championship from Jersey Joe Walcott on September 23, 1952, before 40,379 in the Philadelphia Municipal Stadium who paid $504,645 at the gate, we must give full credit for their specialty roles to Al Weill, the manager who piloted Rocky through the turbulent seas of fistic competition; crafty, derby-hatted, smallish Charley Goldman, one of the greatest trainers boxing has seen, and Allie Columbo, who led the fighter into pro prominence.

Weill is in a nursing home in Miami, Charley died only recently.

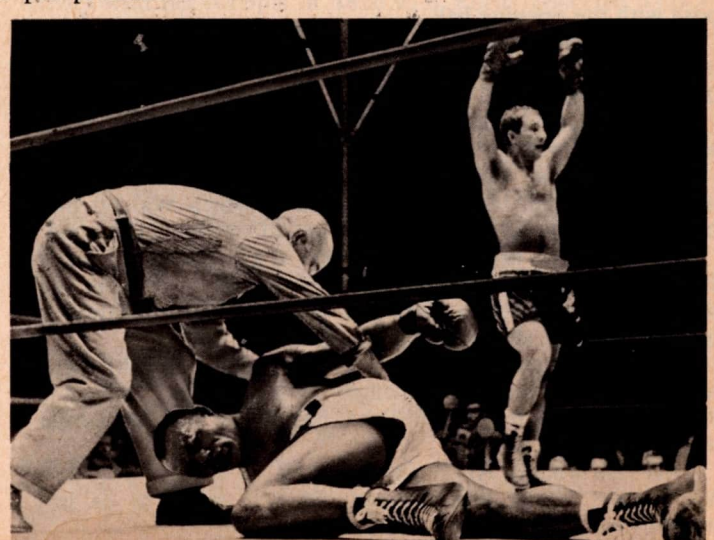
Goldman took an untutored, powerful, first American generation descendant of Italian stock, with the doubtful hope of teaching him boxing, and how to make the most of his God-given physique and powers.

Charley's effort was crowned with Marciano's gaining the title in 43 seconds of the 13th round. A straight right to the jaw finished off Walcott, who was out for five minutes.

At the end of the 12th round, Marciano said to Goldman, who was taking care of Rocky's scalp wound and cut between the eyes, "How am I doing?"

"Ya gotta knock him out," the candid Charlie replied. And that was what Rocco did forthwith.

Stopping Arnold Raymond Cream—Jersey Joe's real name—was no small feat in spite of the fact that Walcott, born in January 1914, was 38 and Marciano, born on September 1,



An ecstatic Marciano jumps for joy as referee Charley Daggert helps the defeated titleholder after counting him out in Round 13.

Here is the Brockton Blockbuster with manager Al Weill (left) and trainer Charley Goldman.

1923, was nine years his junior.

Jersey Joe Walcott had figured in two terrific battles with Joe Louis. In the first of these, on December 5, 1947, Louis had been extended to the limit of his skills to gain the decision in 15 rounds.

Many of the 18,000 spectators in the old Garden in New York felt that the 10 to 1 favorite, the formidable Brown Bomber, had been outpointed.

In their second meeting, on June 25, 1948 in Yankee Stadium, Walcott was stopped in 11 rounds. But not without a fight.

Undaunted, Walcott kept fighting away until he gained the world title on July 8, 1951, with a seven-round KO over Ezzard Charles in Pittsburgh. Charles had beaten him in a 15-rounder in Detroit only four months earlier.

Marciano was a 9 to 5 favorite over Walcott. Jersey Joe knew that he could not afford to let powerful Rocco remain in the ring for too many of the 15 scheduled rounds, and cut loose with the opening bell.

In one minute of fighting, Jersey shot a left hook to the jaw and Marciano hit the deck. He was up at referee Charley Daggert's count of four.

A minute later Walcott landed a dangerous left hook to the jaw, which forced Rocky to hold on.

Marciano came out for the second round with a bruise under his left eye. It was a hot round in which Walcott had the better of the fighting. Those odds did not look too good.

Round 3 gave Marciano's boosters a chance to do some cheering. But those who had expected Rocky to damage the defending title holder in close saw the defender tie Marciano into knots. They still were fighting after the bell.

In between rounds, Goldman advised Rocky to fight more out of a crouch and the challenger followed orders in No. 4. Near the end of the round Rock belted Joe on the temple and Joe had to grab hard.

After the round Al Weill protested to the referee that Walcott was hitting low. Daggert did not appear to be impressed.

Round 5 was toe to toe, hard fighting, Marciano frowning as if he had miscalculated on something.

In round 6 Walcott suffered a deep cut over the left eye while Marciano showed a wound on top of the head.

Joe came out for the seventh with a heavy coat of grease over the cut eye.

The flow of gore from his head gash hampered Marciano in the eighth round and he looked somewhat macabre. Between rounds trainer Goldman and cut specialist Freddie Brown worked desperately to stem the carmine display.

As the ninth round hove into sight the 40,000 spectators decided that they were watching one of the toughest title fights in the history of the heavyweight division.

In round nine Weill resumed his ringside tirade, protesting that the lavish goo on Walcott's wounded eye was against the rules and unfair to Rocky. A short right to Jersey's jaw looked dangerous as the gong sounded.

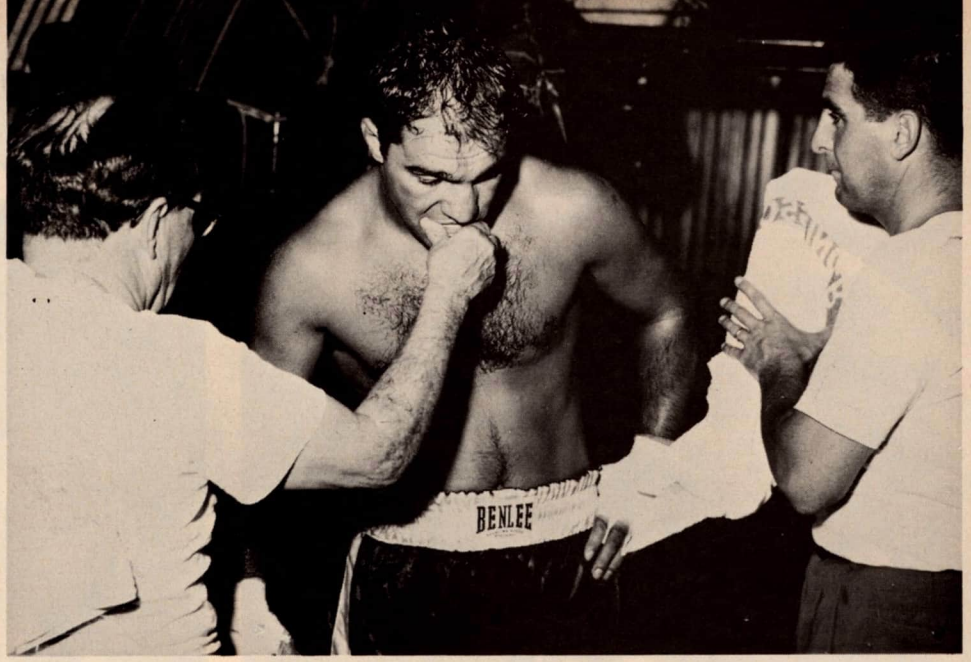
As round No. 10 got under way, Walcott's cut eye was behaving but Marciano's head wound continued to bother him. It was the defender's round and as the bell rang he smiled at his challenger. The fight was going his way.

The last three rounds, which made Rocco Francis Marchegiano the champion of the world, deserve telling blow by blow. Here they are:

ROUND 11

Rocky scored with a short left and right to the head. Then the challenger stabbed a sharp left to the champion's bad eye and followed up with a short right and left to the jaw. The champion packed away from the aggressive challenger, stabbing over two light left jabs as he did so. Apparently Marciano's seconds found a way to stop his cut from bleeding. Rocky sent over a left, right, left to Walcott's head as he pinned the champion to the ropes. They exchanged tremendous right hands and then a terrific left hook rocked the challenger. The crowd roared as Marciano moved back a step or two.

A left hook opened a cut over Rocky's right eye and the champion punished him at close quarters. Walcott drove over



(Left) Manager Weill closely examines Rocky's proboscis, sliced badly by Ezzard Charles in their bout on September 17, 1954 in which Rocky stopped Ezz in eight. Marciano was pronounced fit for Don Cockell, whom he disposed of in nine on May 16, 1955. (Above) The Rock, about to work out, has his mouthpiece inserted by Goldman.

another tremendous left hook to Marciano's jaw as the crowd again roared. They exchanged left hooks as the bell sounded, ending the lively 11th round. Rocky was cut over the right eye, close to the bridge of his nose.

ROUND 12

Rocky stabbed a left to Walcott's face at the start of the 12th round. The champion retreated as Rocky moved in but couldn't land a punch. Marciano missed with a looping left but scored with a short right to the body. Rocky again chased the champion to the ropes but received a short left hook to the face. Rocky missed with a wild right aimed for the jaw as Walcott carefully backed away. Marciano landed a short right to Joe's body and left to his jaw. As Marciano moved in again, Walcott drove a hard left hook to the body and the challenger almost doubled over.

A short left and right drove Rocky back a few steps. The bruise under Marciano left eye was now about the size of a peanut and there was a red spot under his right eye. They exchanged very hard rights to the body as Marciano maneuvered Walcott to the ropes. The trunks of both fighters were smeared with blood. The 12th round ended with a light exchange of left hooks.

ROUND 13

Walcott was no longer bleeding from the cut over his eye and Marciano's seconds had stemmed the flow of blood from his cuts as they came out for the 13th round. Marciano tore after the champion but was short with a left hook aimed for the body. A tremendous right hook dropped Walcott on his knee. The blow caught Walcott on the jaw and sent him down on his knee with his head resting on the canvas. Referee Charley Daggert counted him out in 43 seconds of the 13th round.

The following Spring, on May 15, 1953, champion Marciano knocked out what was left of Jersey Joe Walcott in the first round at Chicago. Rocky delivered five punches. The last one was a right to the jaw on top of a left hook to the chin. Down went Walcott—down and out. He got up hollering about a short count. But it was a full ten, and he knew it.

As a fight it was a joke. As a requiem for a heavyweight who had been champion of the world, it was a sad affair.

Too bad Jersey Joe didn't quit after losing the title. However, Jersey picked up a tidy $250,000 for the painless 2 minutes, 25 seconds which he spent with Marciano in the Chicago ring.

Walcott got $138,070 for the first Marciano fight, so he profited richly from Rocco's ambition and Rock's first defense.

The Chicago fight drew 13,266, with a net gate of $253,462, plus $300,000 for the TV rights.

After the Chicago fiasco, Marciano defended his title on September 24, 1953, against Roland La Starza, whom he had outpointed on March 24, 1950. This time Roland was knocked out in 11 rounds.

Then came Marciano's two tough fights with Ezzard Charles, the first lasting the 15 and the second being finished by Rock in eight heats. The second brawl saw Marciano suffer a bisected nose. Ezz split it like a wanut.

There was a nine-round fight with Don Cockell in San Francisco, and then, on September 21, 1955, Marciano stopped Archie Moore in nine in New York.

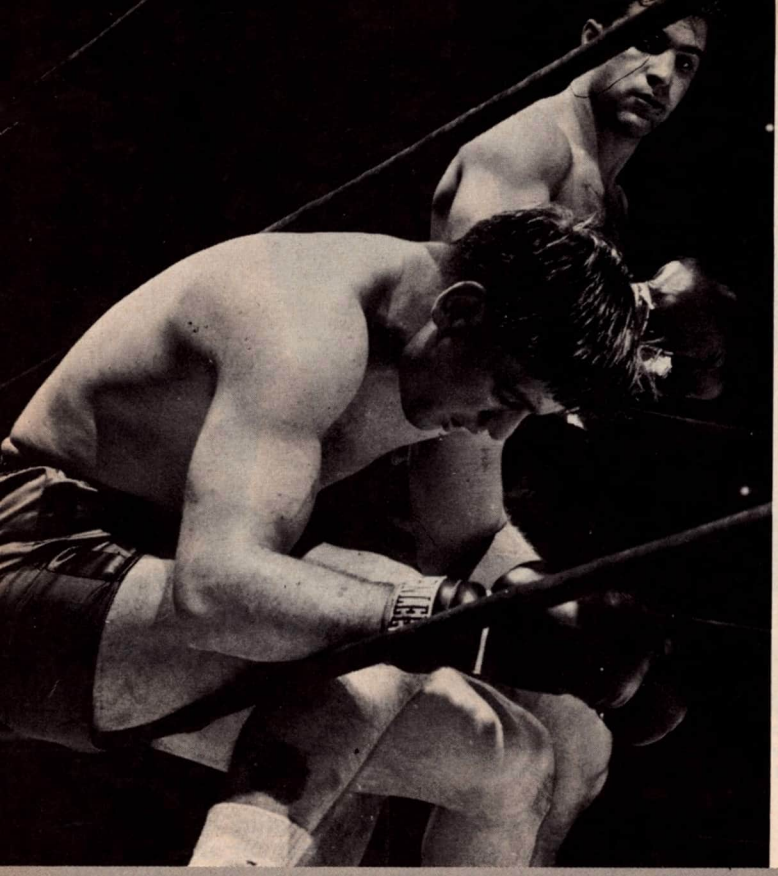
The Moore shinding in Yankee Stadium drew 61,574 customers with net receipts of $820,935. Rocky collected $328,374 from the gate, $140,000 from closed circuit TV, and $14,000 from radio receipts.

After 49 fights, Marciano showed total earnings of better than $4,000,000.

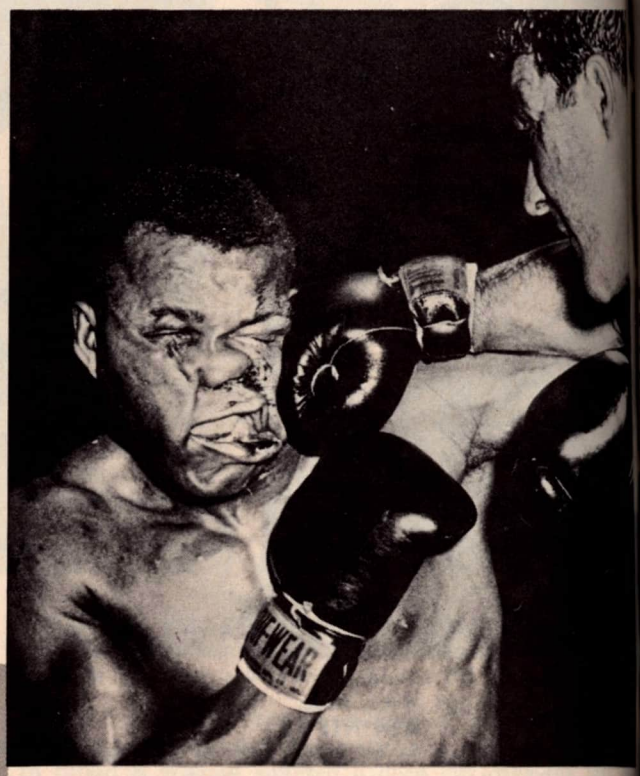
Said Mom Lena and wife Barbara, "The time has come to put away the gloves. The time has come to stop making us worry about your life. The time has come to put the pieces of our family life together. We don't need any more money." On April 27, 1956, Rocky Marciano announced his retirement, the only heavyweight champion to close his career unbeaten, the second heavyweight title holder to retire—the first was Gene Tunney—without a setback as the heavyweight champion.

Up to the moment of his death in an Iowa corn field, Rocky's interest in boxing was unabated.

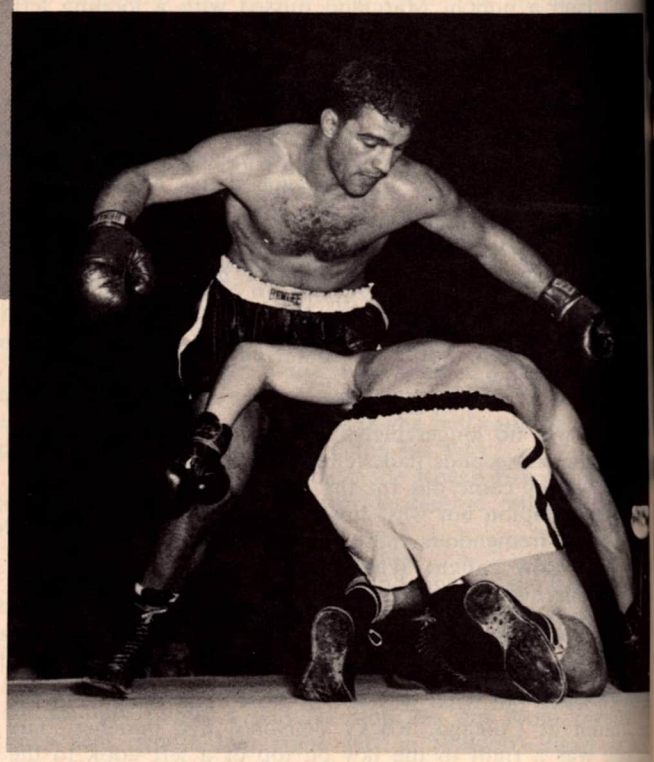
He was a thoroughly gregarious individual who, at 46, was young enough to fly hither and yon as a fistic buff, as a man who had held the world heavyweight championship with honor, probity, high credit and quality execution.



On the left, we see a young, strong Marciano watching Pat Richards [illegible] to a sitting on the ropes in the second round of their Madison Square Garden bout on December 2, 1949. The referee then stopped the contest. Below, Marciano distorts the face of Keene Simmons with a powerful right during the fifth round of their encounter at Providence, R.I. on January 3, 1951. The Rock stopped Simmons in the eighth.



The Rock Was Power Personified



(Left) Marciano bounces a hard left off the jaw of Gino Buonvino in the second round of their Providence, R.I. bout on April 21, 1952. Rocky KOd the Italian at 1:35 of the same round. (Above) Rex Layne becomes another Marciano KO victim, being beaten into submission in the sixth round at Madison Square Garden on July 12, 1951.

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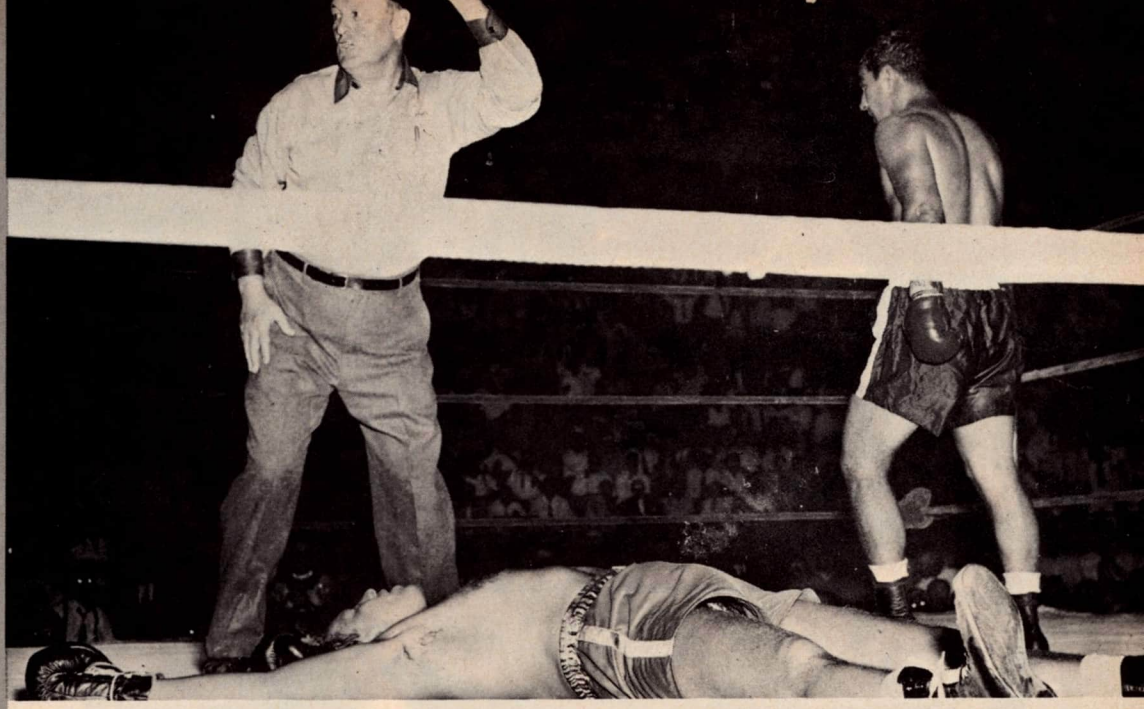

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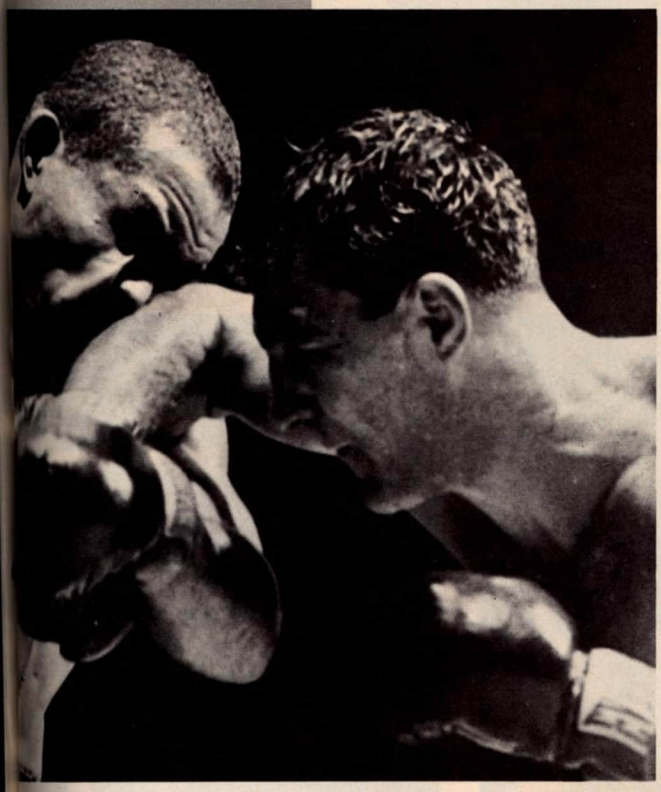
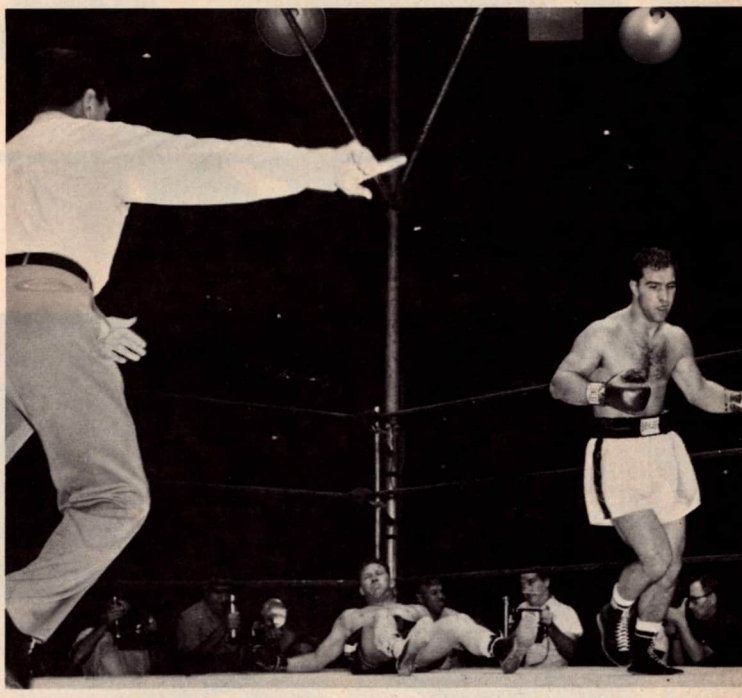
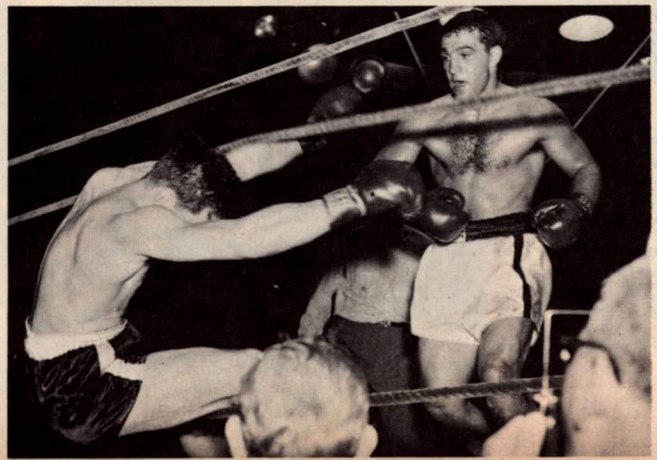


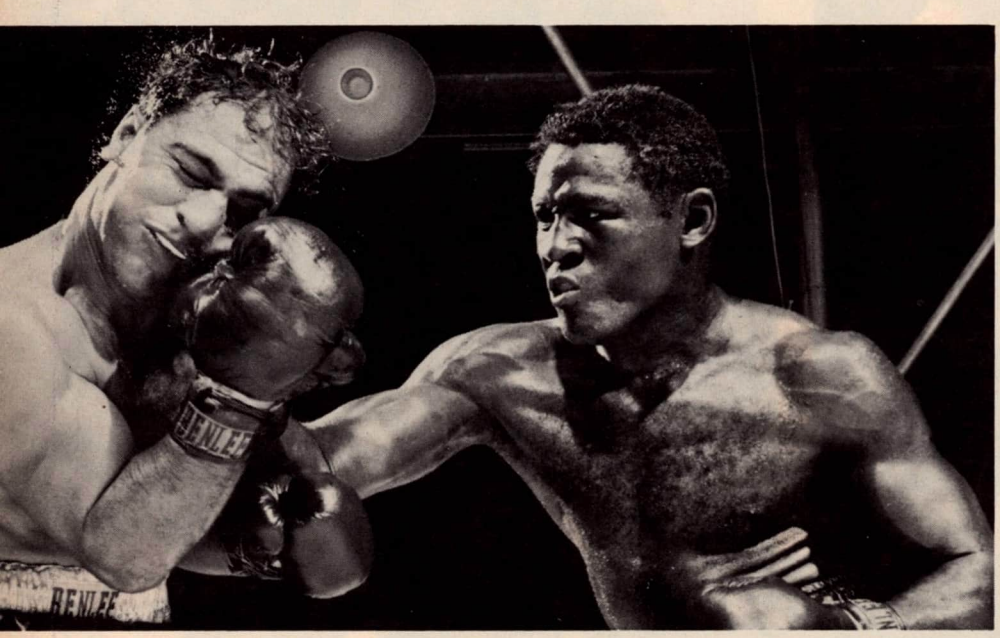


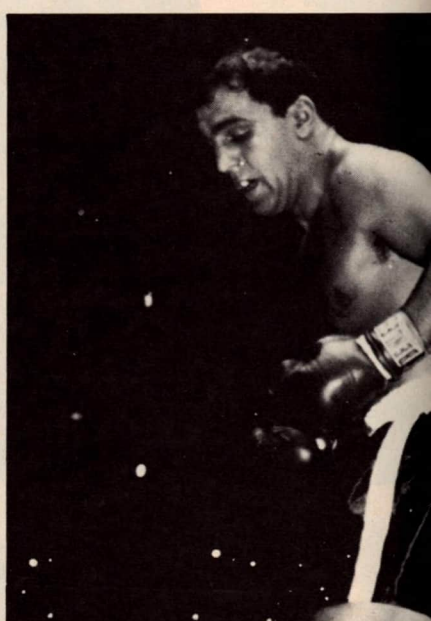
Referee Ray Miller directs Marciano to a neutral corner after Rocky delivered the coup de grace to Harry (Kid) Matthews at New York's Yankee Stadium on July 28, 1952. It was Rocky's 42nd straight victory.



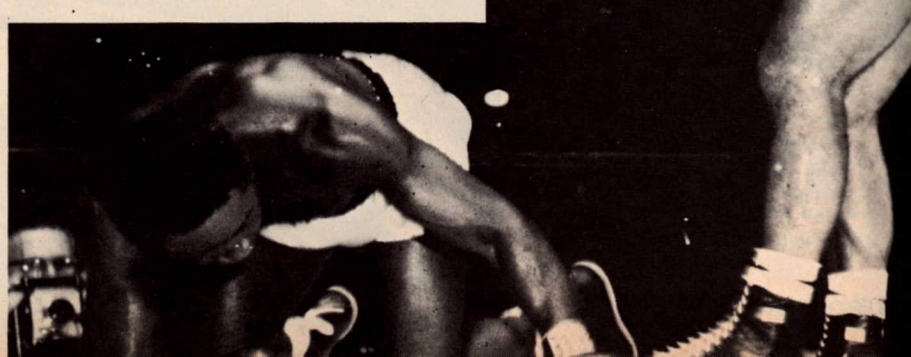
A barrage of Marciano punches sends Roland La Starza through the ropes in the 11th round of their heavyweight title bout at New York's Polo Grounds on September 24, 1953. Referee Ruby Goldstein halted matters at 1:31 of the round.

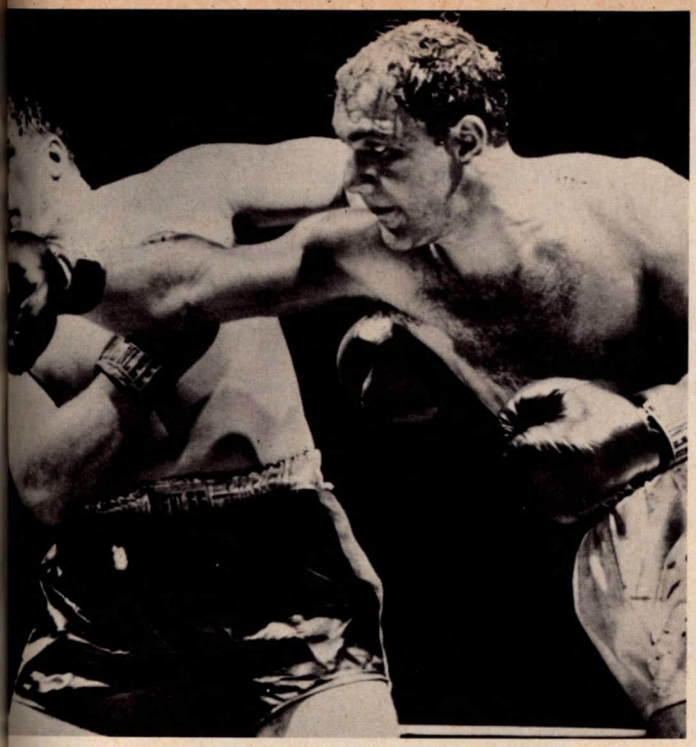
Jersey Joe Walcott hits the deck—but hard—in the first round after being tagged with a solid left hook by Marciano in their return match in Chicago on May 15, 1953. The end came at 2:25 of the opening heat.



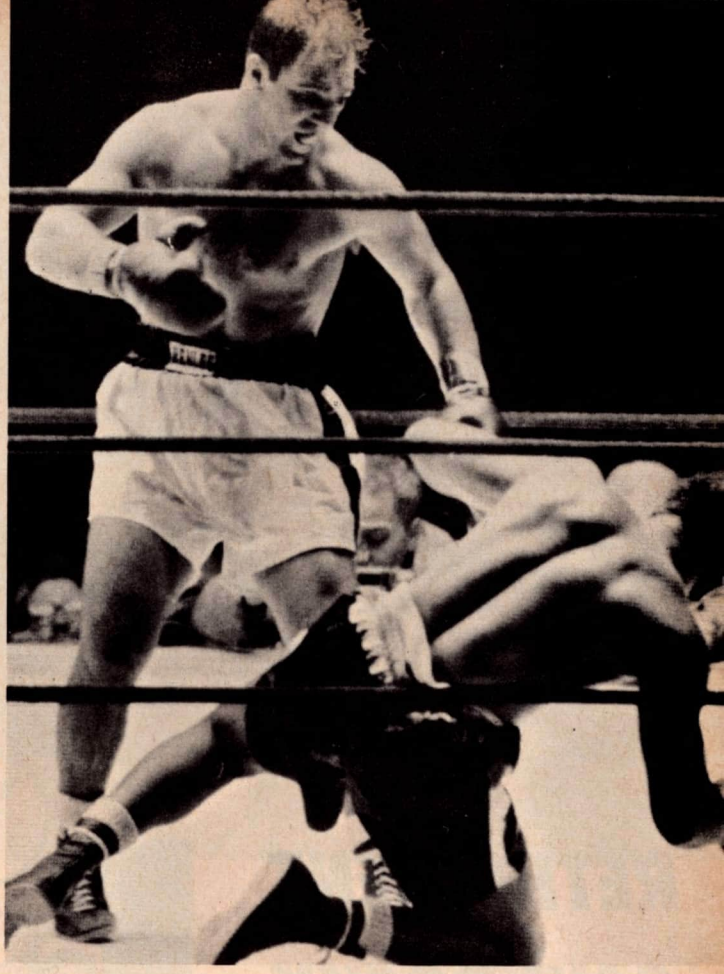


(Above) Marciano takes a long right to the jaw from Ezzard Charles in the fifth round of their title contest at Yankee Stadium on June 17, 1954. Rocky, however, went on to gain a unanimous decision after 15 rounds. (Right) Charles struggles on the canvas after being dropped by three Marciano rights to the chin in the second round of their return match on September 17, 1954 at Yankee Stadium. Marciano stopped Ezz in the eighth round.





The Rock lands a tremendous right to the chin of England's Don Cockell in the seventh round of their championship bout at San Francisco on May 16, 1955. Rocky eventually scored his victory when the referee stopped the contest at the 54-second mark of the ninth round.

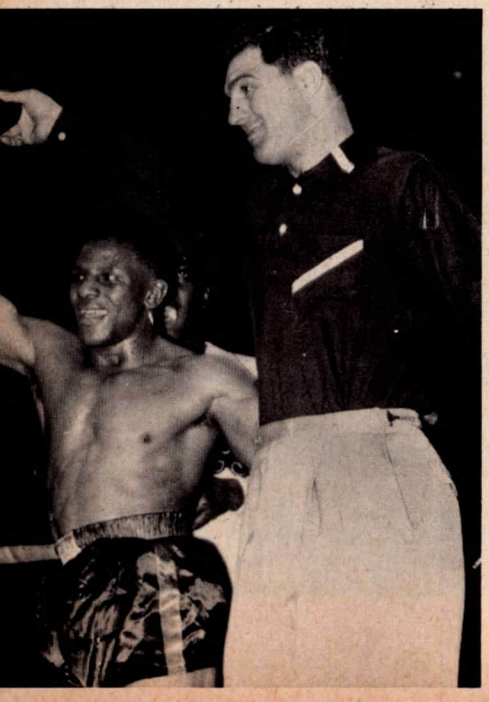


Marciano sends Ol Archie Moore to the floor in the sixth round of their title bout at Yankee Stadium on September 21, 1955. Moore hit the canvas twice in the sixth and once in the eighth before finally taking the 10-count in the ninth round. It was The Rock's final contest.

On April 27, 1956, Marciano Announced His Retirement From The Ring. He Had Engaged in 49 Bouts, Winning Them All. Rocky Scored 43 KOs.

MARCIANO A CHAMP —TO THE VERY END

RETIREMENT SAW ROCKY LIVE THE GOOD LIFE



(Above) Here is 14-year-old Rocky Marciano as a member of the St. Patrick's baseball team in Brockton, Mass. (Left) Rocky acted as a referee on several occasions. Here he raises the hand of Charley Riley after awarding him a technical knock-out over Bobby Why. (Right) The Rock dons a monacle and high hat during a bit of horse-play.

The Rock provides some locomotion for his little girl as wife Barbara smiles prettily.

The Rock became a devotee of golf, calling it a challenge and a wonderful way to keep in shape.

(Left) Seemingly without a care in the world, Marciano takes it easy in Palm Springs, Calif., sipping a milk-laden coconut. (Above) Rocky cuts the cake in celebration of his parents' anniversary.

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Rocky measures hands with Jim Norris, then head of the International Boxing Club, and promoter of all Madison Square Garden bouts.

The Brockton Blockbuster walks with Brazilian friends at the airport in Rio de Janeiro during a combined vacation and goodwill trip.

(Above) Marciano smiles as he obliges some fans with autographs after disembarking from his plane at Teterboro Airport in New Jersey after returning from a long trip. (Right) Rocky appears as a villainous smuggler in a television production of "Captain David Grief." It was filmed in Cuba in 1957. (Below) Marciano's widow and daughter Mary Ann, 16, in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., shown before boarding plane for Brockton after being notified of his tragic death.

Here is Rocky in Rome on His Last Foreign Trip Before Being Cut Down in The Prime of Life. L'envoi.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 16, 1969

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Houston, Texas
1—**JOE FRAZIER**, Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**JIMMY ELLIS**, Louisville, Ky.
3—**SONNY LISTON**, Las Vegas, Nev.
4—**JERRY QUARRY**, Los Angeles, Cal.
5—**OSCAR BONAVENA**, Argentina
6—**MAC FOSTER**, Fresno, Calif.
7—**HENRY COOPER**, England
8—**AL JONES**, Perrine, Fla.
9—**GREGORIO PERALTA**, Argentina
10—**LEOTIS MARTIN**, Philadelphia, Pa.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.
1—**DICK TIGER**, Biafra
2—**RAY ANDERSON**, Akron, Ohio
3—**MARK TESSMAN**, Houston, Texas
4—**JIMMY DUPREE**, Jersey City, N.J.
5—**YVAN PREBEG**, Yugoslavia
6—**BOB DUNLOP**, Australia
7—**ANDY KENDALL**, Portland, Ore.
8—**HAL CARROLL**, Syracuse, N. Y.
9—**EDDIE AVOTH**, Wales
10—**EDDIE JONES**, Los Angeles, Cal.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NINO BENVENUTI, Italy
1—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ**, Miami Beach, Fla.
2—**FREDDIE LITTLE**, Las Vegas, Nev.
3—**EMILE GRIFFITH**, New York, N.Y.
4—**DENNY MOYER**, Portland, Ore.
5—**TOM BOGS**, Denmark
6—**JUAN CARLOS DURAN**, Italy
7—**DON FULLMER**, West Jordan, Utah
8—**FRASER SCOTT**, Seattle, Wash.
9—**CARLOS MONZON**, Argentina
10—**DOYLE BAIRD**, Akron, O.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1—**MANUEL GONZALEZ**, Odessa, Texas
2—**HEDGEMON LEWIS**, Detroit, Mich.
3—**PERCY PUGH**, New Orleans, La.
4—**CURTIS COKES**, Dallas, Texas
5—**ERNIE LOPEZ**, Las Vegas, Nev.
6—**JOHANN ORSOLICS**, Austria
7—**RAUL RODRIGUEZ**, Mexico
8—**BILLY BACKUS**, Syracuse, N.Y.
9—**MIGUEL BARRETO**, Puerto Rico
10—**JERRY PELLEGRINI**, New Orleans, La.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina
1—**BRUNO ARCARI**, Italy
2—**JOAO HENRIQUE**, Brazil
3—**ADOLPH PRUITT**, St. Louis, Mo.
4—**GERMAN GASTELBONDO**, Colombia
5—**TURK KAMACI**, Austria
6—**EDDIE PERKINS**, Chicago, Ill.
7—**EUGENIO ESPINOZA**, Ecuador
8—**BARRERA CORPAS**, Spain
9—**HORACIO SALDANO**, Argentina
10—**LARRY HARDING**, Los Angeles, Cal.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
MANDO RAMOS, Long Beach, Calif.
1—**ISMAEL LAGUNA**, Panama
2—**PEDRO CARRASCO**, Spain
3—**JAGUAR KAKIZAWA**, Japan
4—**ARTURO LOMELI**, Mexico
5—**KEN BUCHANAN**, Scotland
6—**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ**, Dominican Rep.
7—**CARLOS ARO**, Argentina
8—**CHANGO CARMONA**, Mexico
9—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ**, Venezuela
10—**FRANKIE NARVAEZ**, Puerto Rico

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan
1—**RUBEN NAVARRO**, Los Angeles, Cal.
2—**ANTONIO AMAYA**, Panama
3—**YOSHIAKI NUMATA**, Japan
4—**ALTON COLTER**, Phoenix, Ariz.
5—**SILVERO ORTIZ**, Mexico
6—**RENE BARRIENTOS**, Philippines
7—**ALFREDO MARCANO**, Venezuela
8—**RAY ECHAVARRIA**, San Jose, Cal.
9—**RICARDO LESCANO**, Argentina
10—**CARLOS CAÑETE**, Argentina

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOHNNY FAMECHON, Australia
1—**SHOZO SAIJYO**, Japan
2—**VICENTE SALDIVAR**, Mexico
3—**CRUZ MARCANO**, Venezuela
4—**JOSE LEGRA**, Spain
5—**FIGHTING HARADA**, Japan
6—**DWIGHT HAWKINS**, Los Angeles, Cal.
7—**FELIPE TORRES**, Los Angeles, Cal.
8—**ANTONIO GOMEZ**, Venezuela
9—**KUNIAKI SHIBATA**, Japan
10—**JIMMY REVIE**, England

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico
1—**LIONEL ROSE**, Australia
2—**CHUCHO CASTILLO**, Mexico
3—**ALAN RUDKIN**, England
4—**TAKAO SAKURAI**, Japan
5—**RUDY ALARCON**, Philippines
6—**KATSUYOSHI TAKAYAMA**, Japan
7—**KAZUYOSHI KANAZAWA**, Japan
8—**JULIO GUERRERO**, Mexico
9—**RAUL CRUZ**, Mexico
10—**LEO CALDERON**, Mexico

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALACRAN EFREN TORRES, Mexico
1—**BERKRERK CHARTVANCHAI**, Thailand
2—**HIROYUKI EBIHARA**, Japan
3—**SUSUMU HANAGATA**, Japan
4—**FERMIN GOMEZ**, Mexico
5—**RATON MOJICA**, Nicaragua
6—**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI**, Thailand
7—**BERNABE VILLACAMPO**, Philippines
8—**JOSE LUIS CETINA**, Mexico
9—**ARTURO HERNANDEZ**, Mexico
10—**OCTAVIO GOMEZ**, Mexico

TOM BOGS FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

A lot of water has flowed under London Bridge since a new champion of Europe stood out as The Fighter of the Month. But it has happened, and the bright achiever is a Dane named Tom Bogs.

Bogs recently took the middleweight championship of Europe from Italy's Juan Carlos Duran in a 15-round battle at Copenhagen.

It may appear strange that with Nino Benvenuti, world champion of the middleweights, coming from Italy, Bogs is the European title holder. But world champions are barred from official Continental leadership.

Bogs' victory over the able Duran argues for a meeting of the Dane and Nino, who is booked with Fraser Scott and Luis Rodriguez.

Bogs was the light heavy champion of Europe, but he turned in the title and announced himself as a middleweight.

Tom now is rated No. 5 contender among the world middleweights, behind Rodriguez, Freddie Little, Emile Griffith and Denny Moyer.

The updated ratings of The Ring show little change of true significance in any division.

In the heavyweight class the only important match of recent concern was the affair which was to have sent Henry Cooper against Jimmy Ellis in London.

Cooper injured a knee in training and at this writing is on the shelf, facing possible surgery. There appeared to be considerable chance that with a Joe Frazier-Ellis contest on the tapis, the Ellis-Cooper affair, for which there is no apparent urgency, will go by the board.

Cooper's inactivity cost him a rung in The Ring ratings, as he was dropped from No. 6 to 7. Mac Foster moved up to No. 6.

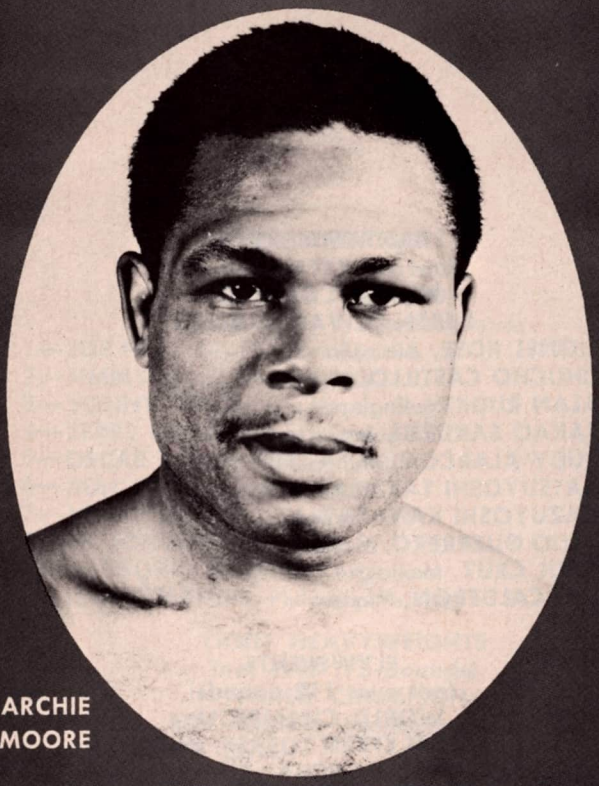
Gregorio Peralta's draw with Oscar Bonavena lifted him from No. 10 to 9 and Leotis Martin was dropped to 10, on his way out if he doesn't do some fighting pretty soon.

The new ratings reveal some shifts among the welterweights, ruled over by Jose Napoles. Raul Soriano was dropped from the top ten and Curtis Cokes, former champion, was eased into No. 4, with Percy Pugh gaining No. 3 in Cokes' place. Billy Backus reappears in the listing, at No. 8.

The featherweights, who acknowledge Johnny Famechon as their champion, underwent some rearrangement and now show this top ten behind the Australian; 1, Shozo Saijyo; 2, Vicente Saldivar; 3, Cruz Marcano; 4, Jose Legra; 5, Fighting Harada; 6, Dwight Hawkins; 7, Felipe Torres; 8, Antonio Gomez; 9, Kiniaki Shibata; 10, Jimmy Revie.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Chuck Haynes, Buffalo, N.Y.	11/68	8	7	0	1	4
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT						
Reynaldo Martinez, Milwaukee, Wisc.	11/68	5	5	0	0	4
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Clarence Geigger, Los Angeles, Cal.	11/68	9	8	0	1	7
WELTERWEIGHT						
Gerald Ratte, Canada	1/69	5	4	0	1	3
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Al Robinson, Oakland, Cal.	7/69	3	3	0	0	1
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Ken Campbell, Boston, Mass.	2/69	9	8	1	0	3
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Paddy McGuire, Ireland	3/69	2	2	0	0	0
FLYWEIGHT						
Socrates Batoto, Hawaii	5/69	2	2	0	0	0



ARCHIE MOORE

LISTON BEST, MAC FOSTER TOP PROSPECT, SAYS ARCHIE MOORE

By ARCHIE MOORE

I'VE said it before, and I'll say it again, MacArthur (Mac) Foster is the top prospect in the heavyweight division. Give this bull-strong young giant another year against progressively better opposition, and he will be ready for a crack at Joe Frazier, Jimmy Ellis or, for that matter, Cassius Clay. He might even be ready for Sonny Liston.

But, high as I am on young Foster, I want to emphasize the fact that he is still a year away from the aforementioned tests. Mac is brute strong with a murderous punch in either hand. His left hook to the rib-cage is perhaps his best shot. But he needs seasoning.

A rumor has been circulated that Foster knocked Liston out in a gym session. I know the true story on that. Yes, they did mix it up in the gym—several times. And Foster punched "The Bear" around pretty good in the first couple of workouts. But it was Foster who was on the receiving end during the last sessions.

I always have had the greatest respect for Liston. I know him for what he is—the best active heavyweight in the game today. Sonny is a patient

Mac Foster, called by Archie Moore the top prospect around today, is shown receiving the Ed Sanders Award as the best amateur in the San Diego AAU tourney in 1964.

man, who will pay the price of hard work in the gymnasium, and sweat it out on the road in the cool, lonely hours of the morning.

My old trainer, Dick Saddler, who guides Liston, has done a marvelous job with the ex-champ. Sonny has looked better with each fight since Dandy Dick took over. Condition is the key for Sonny. He always has had the power.

No, Foster didn't kayo Sonny. But Mac did prove that he's not afraid of any man and that he's potentially the best heavyweight in the world.

Mac can't lick Sonny today, but how many tomorrows has Sonny? I know how old he is, and I know that his coach is due to turn back into a pumpkin any night now. I know all about the coach-into-pumpkin bit. I'll never forget the night the wheels fell off my transportation against my former student, Muhammad Ali Cassius Clay.

I believe that Liston can beat either Frazier or Ellis, but I also believe he'll never get the chance. What do either Frazier or Ellis need with Liston? He'd be too strong for either one of them now. They'll just wait around for Time to take care of The Bear.

But time is on Mac Foster's side. He's younger than either Frazier or Ellis. In 17 straight fights, Foster has done nothing but win, mostly by knockout. And Mac has been in with some pretty fair talent.

He has halted the likes of Hubert Hilton. Britons will remember what Hubert did to Jack Bodell and Johnny

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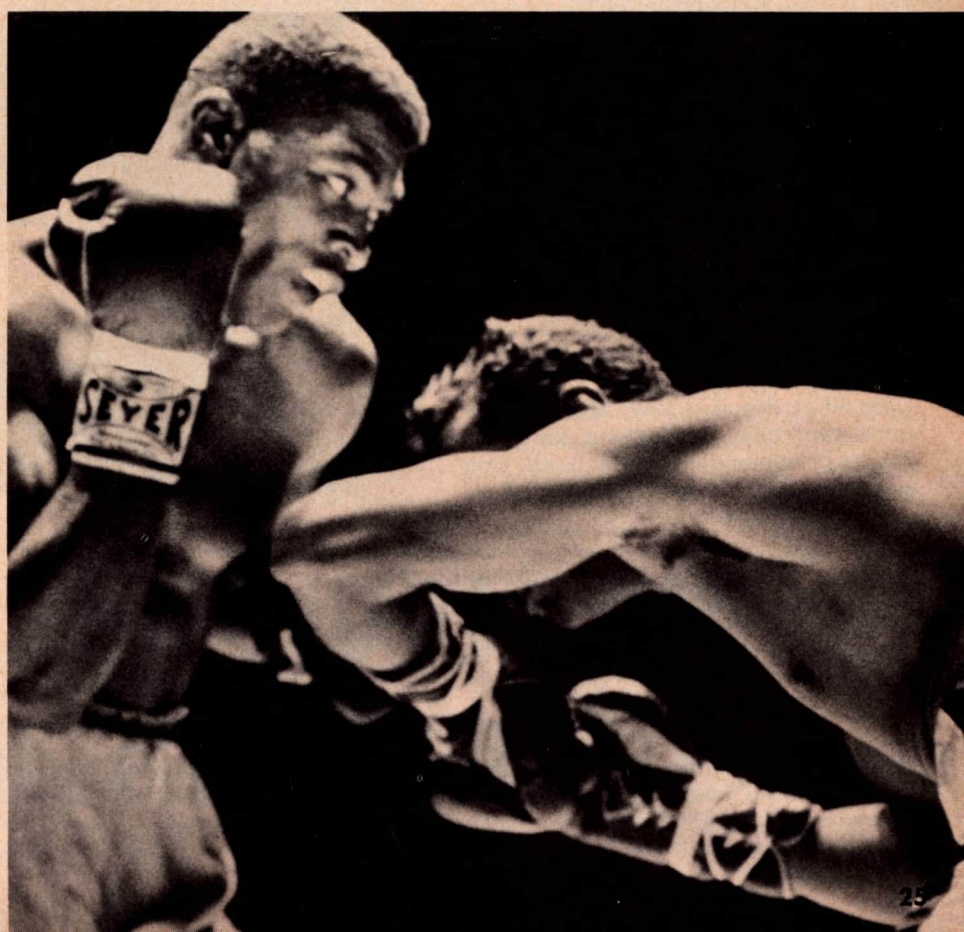
(Above) Foster connects with a hard left to the mid-section of Steve Grant during their bout in Fresno February of 1968. Foster disposed of his opponent in the second round. (Right) Here is Mac in his Marine uniform when he was stationed in Saigon. (Below) Foster moves in on Lino Armenteros for the kill in the third round of their contest in Fresno in June 1967.



MEXICO THREATENS SUPREMACY OF U.S.

By DAN DANIEL

IN so far as world championship numbers are concerned, Mexico, with three current titles, matching the U.S. total, stands at the zenith of its international achievements.

The nation South of the Border has title representation with Efren Alacran Torres among the flyweights, Ruben Olivares, among the bantams, and Jose Napoles, in the welterweight class.

With Vicente Saldivar back from his brief retirement, Mexico has a potential world champion in the featherweight division, which he quit, undefeated, in October 1967. He returned to action with a victory over Jose Legra in August 1969.

Mexico may claim additional glory tracing to the fact that Mando Ramos, the lightweight champion, is of Mexican descent; Chucho Castillo, bantam contender, is a Mexican native; and Manuel Ramos, briefly a rated heavyweight, is Mexico born.

The first Mexican fighter of consequence was lightweight Aurelio Herrera.

Aurelio was good enough to battle future lightweight champion Battling Nelson, in September, 1904, at Butte, Montana. They went the set limit of 20 rounds, and Nelson got the decision.

In 1901, Herrera caught a Tartar. Terry McGovern stopped the Mexican in five rounds, at San Francisco.

Mexican Joe Rivers often has been referred to as a native of the country south of the Rio Grande. But Joe was born in Los Angeles, albeit of parents who had come up from Mexico.

Rivers was of sufficient class to get a shot at the lightweight title while it was held by Ad Wolgast. This was at Vernon, Cal., on July 4, 1912.

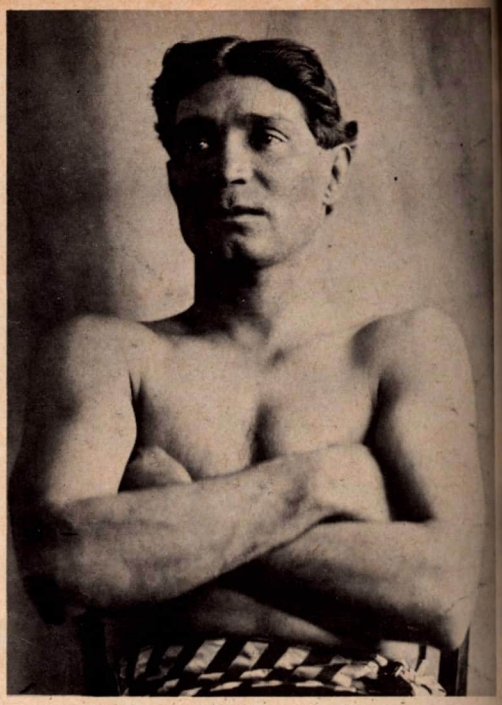
This fight is known as the Battle of the Double Knockout. It happened in the 13th round. The fighters hit the deck together.

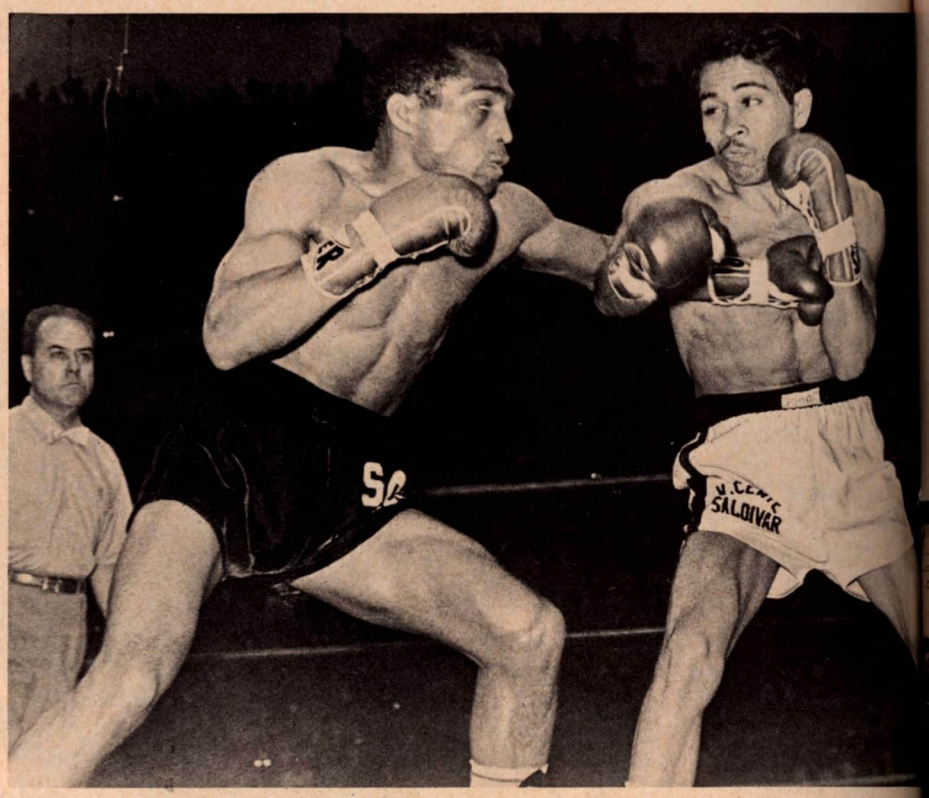
Rivers belted Wolgast on the chin. The champion hit Rivers in the body and if it was above the belt, it wasn't fair by much.

Jack Welch, the referee, was handpicked by Wolgast, as was the quaint custom in those days.

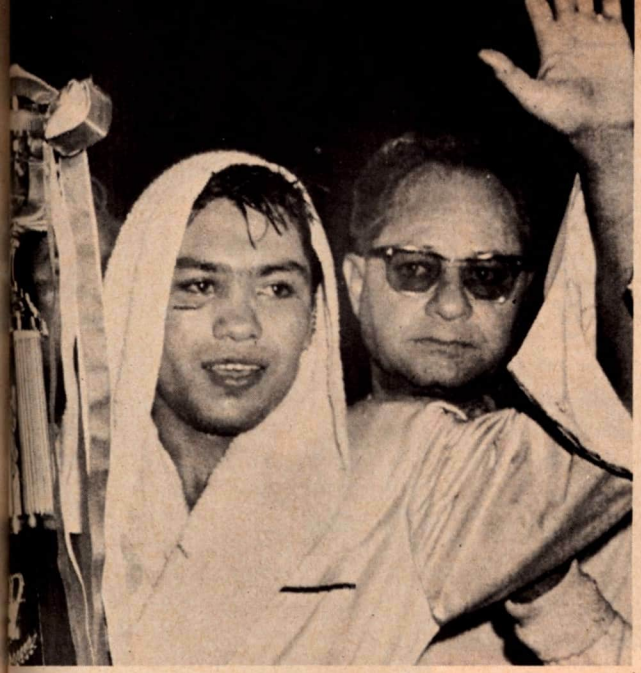
Welch protected Ad by picking him off the deck. He counted over Rivers and it appeared that the bell rang at eight. Welch insisted that when the gong sounded he already had counted Rivers out.

Be all of this as it may, Mexican Jose came very close to winning the lightweight championship. He hollered long and loud that he had been robbed by





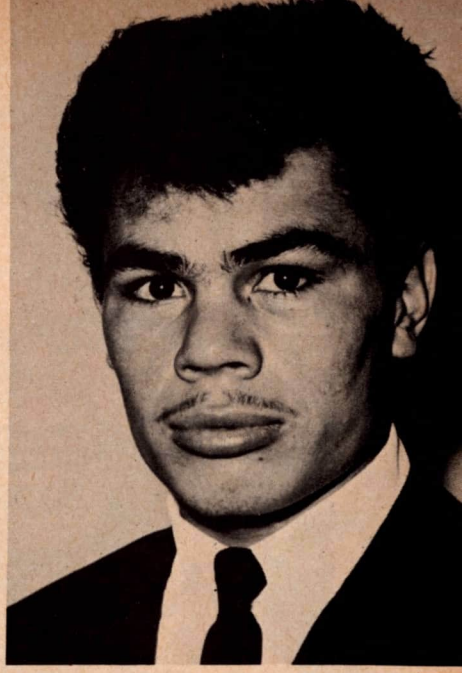
On the right is Aurelio Herrera, Mexico's first great ring hero. Below, Vicente Saldivar (right) is in the act of capturing the featherweight crown from Sugar Ramos via a 12-round KO in Mexico City on September 26, 1964.



(Left) Joe Becerra proudly holds a trophy awarded him after successfully defending his bantamweight title against Kenji Yonekura in Tokyo via a 15-round decision.

(Right) Alacran Efren Torres, the current flyweight champion of the world.

(Below) Ruben Olivares, Mexico's newest crown-wearer, who captured the bantamweight diadem from Australia's Lionel Rose in Los Angeles.



Welch on two counts—the matter of a mere eight seconds, and the matter of a foul punch.

Wolgast did some hollering on his own when referee Jim Griffin ruled that Ad had fouled Willie Ritchie in the 16th round at Daly City, Cal., on November 28, 1912, giving the world title to Willie.

There are a lot of legends about Herrera. For one, about a fight with the picturesque Kid Broad.

The Kid had been decked by the Mexican. As Broad told it, Herrera asked "Kid, what will your uncle in Cleveland say a if you don't get up?"

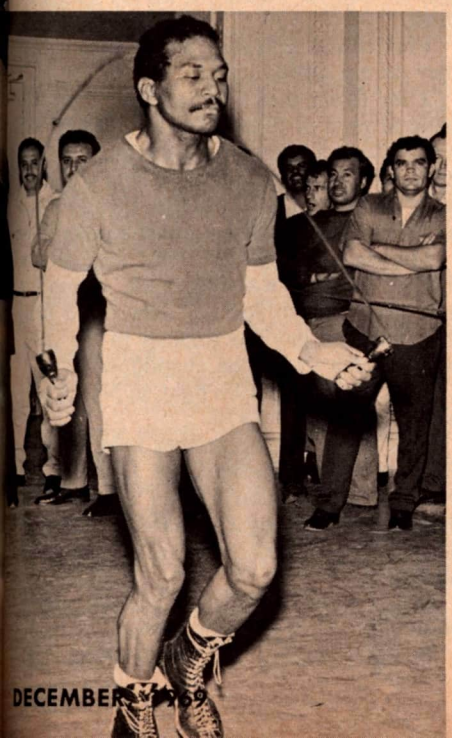
Broad arose, but did not remain erect for long. Once again the Kid was asked about the reaction of his uncle in Cleveland.

When Herrera floored Broad again, the Kid said, "To hell with my uncle in Cleveland," and listened to the full ten.

Before the current crop of world champions came along to lift Mexico to its all-time ring peak, and threaten the supremacy of the U.S., the list of Mexican title holders included featherweight Chalky Wright, lightweight Lauro Salas, and bantam Joe Becerra.

Often boxing writers make the mistake of listing Pancho Villa as a Mexican but he came from the Philippines, and was one of the greatest little men the ring has seen.

Wright, usually listed as American Negro, belongs in the Mexican list because he was a native of Durango.



Welterweight champion Jose Napoles, who captured the 147-pound title from Curtis Cokes, then defeated the American in a return match.

Chalky's dad was a soldier in the U.S. Army on Mexican border service. Wright, Sr. married a Mexican girl and the family located in Durango, where Chalky was born on February 10, 1912.

Chalky won the featherweight championship on September 11, 1941, when he knocked out Joey Archibald in the 11th round, in Washington.

Chalky lost the title on a 15-round decision to Willie Pep in New York on November 20, 1942. Pep made it four straight over Wright, the last time in Milwaukee by a KO in three in 1946.

Salas achieved the lightweight championship on May 14, 1952, when he took a 15-round verdict over Jimmy Carter in Los Angeles.

When they met again, in Chicago, on October 15 of that year, Carter regained the title.

Salas was a pro from 1944 to 1961. A 10-round KO by Bunny Grant, in Lauro's

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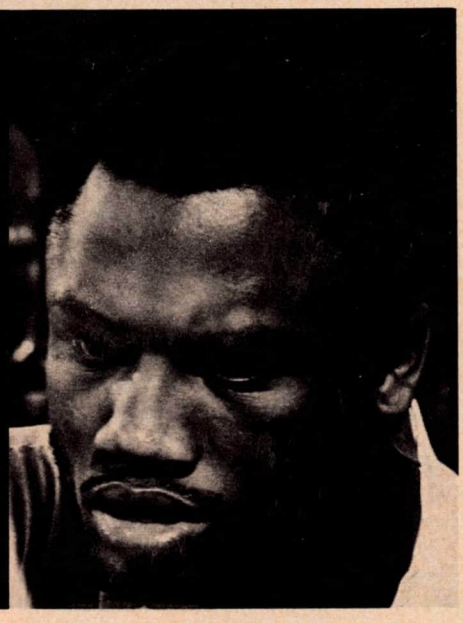
Sonny Liston (left), does not appear to be a suitable subject for ballyhoo at his advanced ring age. Harry Markson (right) says he's willing to pay Frazier and Ellis half a million to fight in Madison Square Garden. Joe Frazier (below), who, it seems, will meet Jimmy Ellis in 1970.

TAX GRABBERS RUNNING BOXING, DELAY FRAZIER AND ELLIS TEST



By DAN DANIEL

WE have been asked to believe that professional boxers—in fact, all pay-for-play athletes—are greedy. Doubtless this charge is borne out in many cases. But insofar as it has to do with fighters, it is now difficult to believe.

Many topflight boxers are content to sit around and do nothing for long periods. If they are fined in the ratings, they holler. They are inclined to live on reputations, if they have any, on past glories if these exist.

The leaders will tell you that they would prefer to fight as often as their positions dictate, but are forced to lay off frequently by the tax structure. They say:

"Why take chances on injury, on loss of high rating, if I have to give so much of my earnings to the government?

"The way the newspapers say Washington is sending that dough down the drain, I am forced to be less eager to shell it out to the Internal Revenue."

The Internal Revenue is the reason that Joe Frazier will let the rest of the year 1969 pass without meeting Jimmy Ellis.

Ellis last fought on September 14, 1968, when he got the decision over Floyd Patterson and a busted nose at Stockholm.

Frazier has not gone into a ring since June 23, 1969, when he knocked out Jerry Quarry in seven rounds in New York's Garden.

Harry Markson, director of boxing in the Garden, says he stands ready to pay half a million to Frazier and Ellis to defend their versions of the world championship.

Frazier says he is the titleholder. New York's Commission backs him up. Ellis says he is the champion, and the WBA supports his contention.

All the time the real champion is Cassius Clay, who will remain in possession of the title unless he is shunted off to a Federal prison to serve a stretch for a felony charged against him for refusal to accept an Army draft.

Frazier and Ellis may not be greedy, but they do not dislike money.

They figure that their confrontation will hang around at least into 1970. They will be all the more powerful attractions if Clay has to go to the pen, and their fight will have to be recognized universally as being for the official and undisputed world championship.

Markson and the Garden's accountants thought they had a tax gimmick, within the law, under which Joe and Jim could fight this year and pay the imposts in the next. But the idea had to be abandoned.

Now the Frazier-Ellis fight, in New York, is set for early in 1970.

Ellis had a late September meeting with Henry Cooper scheduled for London, but the British champion injured a knee. Enthusiasm for the fight reportedly failed to produce impressive advance sales, and small wonder.

In any event, the contest was postponed. Now and then logic does prevail.

In the meantime the Frazier-Ellis fight

Cassius Clay (above) still is in a state of limbo regarding his jail status. The Ring still recognizes him as heavyweight champion. Jimmy Ellis (right), the WBA titleholder, hasn't fought since his controversial win over Floyd Patterson in Sept., 1968 at Stockholm, Sweden.

simmers, without any apparent acceleration of popular excitement.

The fight will pack the Garden when it comes off, at $100 tops. But the interim interest is not at fever heat. The fans have adopted an attitude, borrowed from the principals, that the fight will be there when the proper time rolls around.

Sometimes this sort of attitude can be dangerous. But the fighters and the buffs can discern no focal point of danger in the world heavyweight ratings, which show Frazier No. 1, Ellis, No. 2, Sonny Liston, No. 3, and Jerry Quarry, recent fast KO winner over faded Brian London, Oscar Bonavena, Leotis Martin, Cooper, Mac Foster, Buster Mathis, Al Jones, et cetera, et cetera, hanging around in the rear.

No promoter is willing to gamble a lot of money on a Liston test, especially since the man who twice was knocked out by Clay has no license in New York.

Liston could be polished up with a phony appearance of newness. But at 42 plus, with a Cadillac in his Las Vegas yard, he is not an attractive subject for genuine ballyhoo. Nor does any responsible promoter discern a real demand for a fight in which Sonny Boy would be a principal.

So Frazier and Ellis have shunted him off into their limbo of the inconsequential, leaving Joe and Jim the only title contenders of consequence.

While Frazier and Ellis linger, with eyes on the tax collectors, and the Clay case remains in the courts, some of the thousands of readers of The Ring Magazine around the world show increasing impatience. They want Cassius deprived of his title.

The Ring is called stubborn, unreasonable, unrealistic and oblivious of justice to boxing and the top contenders.

Let it be admitted that there are times when The Ring grows impatient with the courts. Clay's case has been up for adjudication too long.

It is unfair to Clay and to boxing to keep him hanging in midair.

Clay is guilty and should go to prison.

Or Clay is innocent and should be returned to the field of competition, before it is too late and he ages.

Clay has been out on bail of $5,000. But, to all intents and purposes, he could have been, and could now be, in jail. He is barred from exercising his profession, and therein is the law unjust.

The lawyer, clergyman, mechanic, doctor out on bail is free to go on with his regular work.

Clay is barred from earning anything while his case lingers in the courts.

Granted, Cassius brought it on himself. Granted, he may be as guilty as guilty can be and is lucky to be out of prison. But the case has dragged too long.

Meanwhile, The Ring cannot quit on itself, on justice, on Clay. He has got to be recognized as the champion.

The urge to call him "former champion" receives no impetus from the fact that, just so much as the courts are slow on his felony indictment, just so laggard are Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis in pressing for recognition of their title claims.

The public does not care about their tax situations.

Just so long as there is no pretender to the throne, just so long is there no case for those who want Cassius Clay shorn of his title.

There is much pressure from the Bob Foster interest to press his claims for a heavyweight title shot.

The Ring recognizes the light-heavyweight champion of the world for what he is, a fine boxer, a formidable puncher. The Ring did much to advance Bob as a light-heavyweight contender.

But The Ring cannot set up a holler for Foster just so long as Frazier and Ellis are the top contenders.

Boxing history does not argue for the chances of light-heavyweight leaders to advance to the heavyweight championship.

Many have tried, all have failed. Billy Conn came closest to achieve the feat but the Irishman got cocky and blew the fight, losing in 13 rounds to Joe Louis by a knockout in June, 1941.

It is to be deplored that after shelling out $100,000 to get the match with Dick Tiger in which Bob gained the light-heavyweight title with a four-round KO in May 1968, Foster has not been able to capitalize on his title to his financial satisfaction.

It is the possibly cruel destiny of light-heavyweight champions to look across the barrier which separates them from the heavyweight title holders, envy them for their prosperity, and deplore the restricted terrain of their own possibilities. But that is the calculated risk light-heavyweight champions have to take.

Foster's problems are complicated by the fact that Tiger, listed as the No. 1 contender, has no fresh title ambitions.

The field behind Dick, led by Ray Ander-

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The Joe Louis Era

HEREWITH The Ring presents the third installment of its detailed, exhaustive and authoritative history of Negro boxing. Now we come to the feats and times of Joe Louis—Joe Louis Barrow, born May 13, 1914 at Lafayette, Alabama.

He won the world heavyweight championship on June 22, 1937, in Chicago, by knocking out Jim Braddock in the eighth round. He gained the title in his fourth year as a ring professional.

Before Joe, only one Negro, Jack Johnson, had achieved the world championship. Since Joe, Ezzard Charles, Joe Walcott, Floyd Patterson, Sonny Liston and Cassius Clay have gained the crown for the Black Man.

By TED CARROLL

POLITICAL scientists, psychologists and sociologists have been inching along of late towards a belated recognition that the part played by sports in weaving the fabric of the social pattern may be far greater than has been realized. This delayed discovery of the double-domes has long been dwelt upon in the pages of this magazine. The review of the career of Jack Johnson in the preceding article of this series offered ample affirmation of this premise.

Johnson's life, particularly its romantic episodes, brought every brand of bigot out of the woodwork. These mischief-makers seized upon the chocolate-hued heavyweight champion's vanilla-flavored love life as convincing evidence that the sole goal of the liberated black was intermarriage and this race mixing according to their reasoning, could mean the doom of the proud Caucasian.

The tragedy of the times was that the public went along with this ethnocentric conclusion and every black citizen of the United States suffered to some degree from the backlash of the Johnson Era.

An immediate result of this bias was a clamping down on the acceptance of Negro fighters as world champions, despite the hero roles played by Gans and Dixon prior to Johnson's rise. This development was greeted with much relief by contemporary champions, happy with the fact that the public attitude permitted them to bypass dangerous Negro contenders without resorting to drawing the 'color line.'

The unwritten ban on Negro world champions in this country lasted 16 years, until finally breached by the late Tiger Flowers, who won the middleweight championship from the great Harry Greb in 1926. Flowers, a docile, ante-bellum type Southern Negro, had earned this opportunity largely through a cleverly conceived campaign built around his piety—conducted by his manager Walk Miller, a shrewd Southerner from Flowers' native state of Georgia.

Along with this, Flowers' manners, ability, sportsmanship and humility brought him sincere respect and admiration. When he died suddenly in 1927 the state of Georgia declared a day of public mourning and he was the subject of a moving eulogy by then heavyweight champion Gene Tunney, which was widely circulated.

The Negro fighter who suffered most, and whose career almost capsized in the cross currents of the Johnson carry-over, was the late Harry Wills. This was ironic, for no two human beings were more unlike.

Wills, standing 6 feet 3 inches tall and weighing 210 lbs., was one of the most magnificently built men ever to appear in the ring. Wide shouldered, slim-waisted and prodigiously strong, he was known as the Brown Panther of New Orleans. No fighter was ever more aptly nicknamed. He was as unassuming as Johnson had been flamboyant. He remained married to the same woman for more than 40 years and his private life was as serene as Johnson's had been storm tossed. Small enough to be a jockey in his youth, his tremendous physique was the result of a fetish for physical conditioning and the clean life.

By 1916, Wills, having survived an extended series of matches against Langford, Sam McVey, and Joe Jeannette, loomed menacingly on the heavyweight horizon. The same day that Dempsey won the world heavyweight championship from Jess Willard, July 4, 1919, Wills beat Sam Langford in St. Louis for something called the 'colored' heavyweight championship.

Scant public notice was paid to this but from that time until 1926, Wills was far and away the most formidable contender for Dempsey's crown. They never met, for a variety of reasons.

First, the effluvia fomented by the Johnson critics still clung like a contagion to the racial climate. Secondly, promoter Tex Rickard, his gambling house background notwithstanding, was hardly inclined to risk such a money maker as Jack Dempsey against a foe of Wills' formidability. Needless to say, Dempsey's manager, Jack Kearns, who had managed Wills, concurred. Third, and most important, despite the glaring contrast between Wills and Johnson as personalities, political figures voiced dismay over the probable aftermath of a Dempsey-Wills fight, recalling the Johnson-Jeffries disturbances. Hence the locale of such a match posed a great problem. Governor Al Smith, of New York was adamant in his disapproval of such a bout in his state.

Wills continued to challenge Dempsey, but to no avail, even going into the courts without success. Wills did not lack support. He was widely hailed as the 'Man Jack Dempsey feared' and some sportswriters, notably T. A. 'Tad' Dorgan, of the N. Y. Journal directed a drumfire of derogation against Dempsey for his failure to answer Wills' challenge.

Wills' manager, Paddy Mullins, a politically well-connected, one-time saloon keeper with associate Lew Raymond, kept Wills' cause in the public eye.

After years of controversy the Dempsey-Wills business finally came to a head in 1926 when James A. Farley, then chairman of the New York State Boxing Commission, denied Gene Tunney a license to fight Dempsey by declaring Wills the rightful contender.

This ploy pushed both Dempsey-Tunney fights out of New York and at the same time spotlighted Farley with a national prominence which eventually moulded him into a towering political figure.

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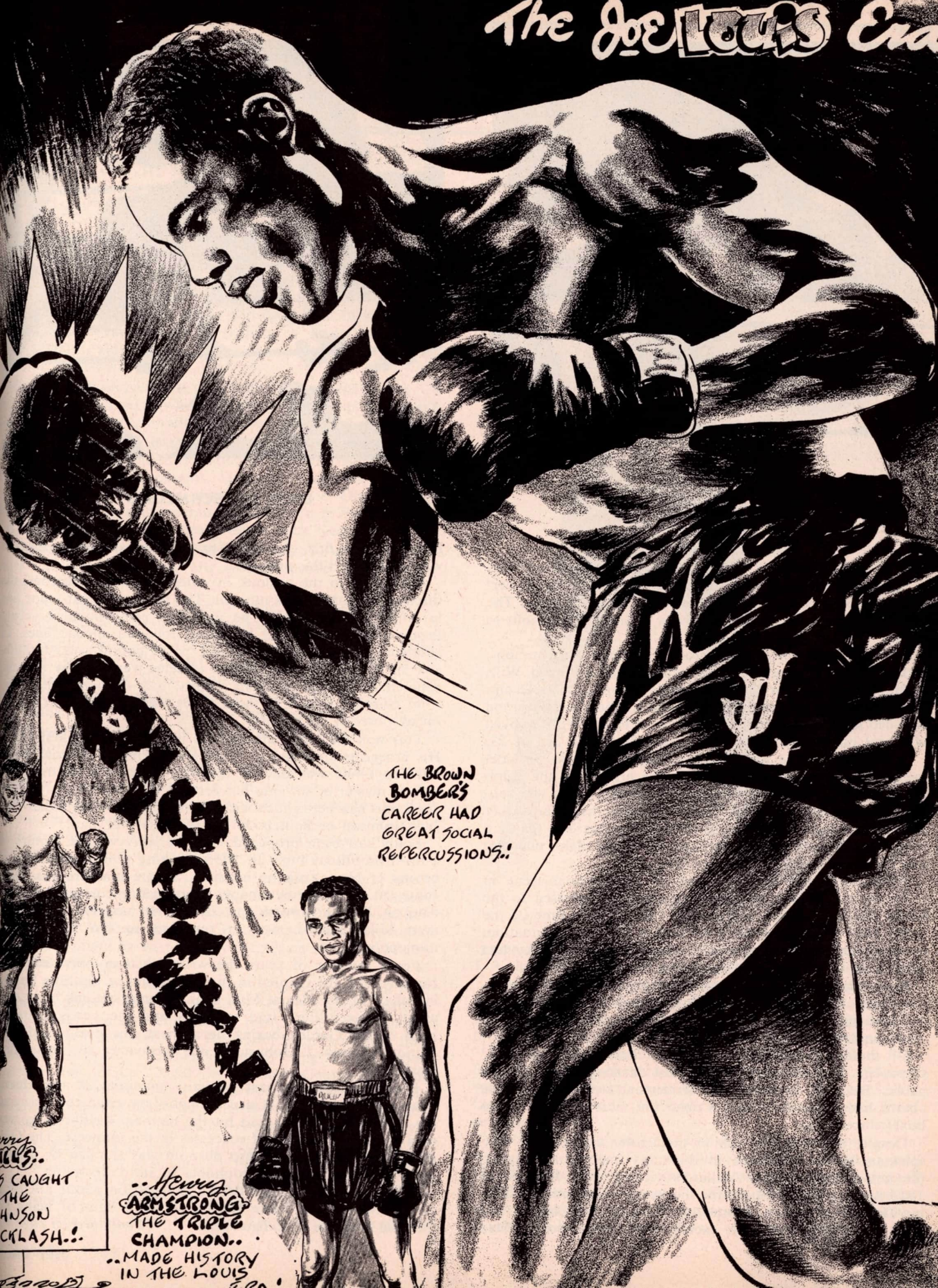
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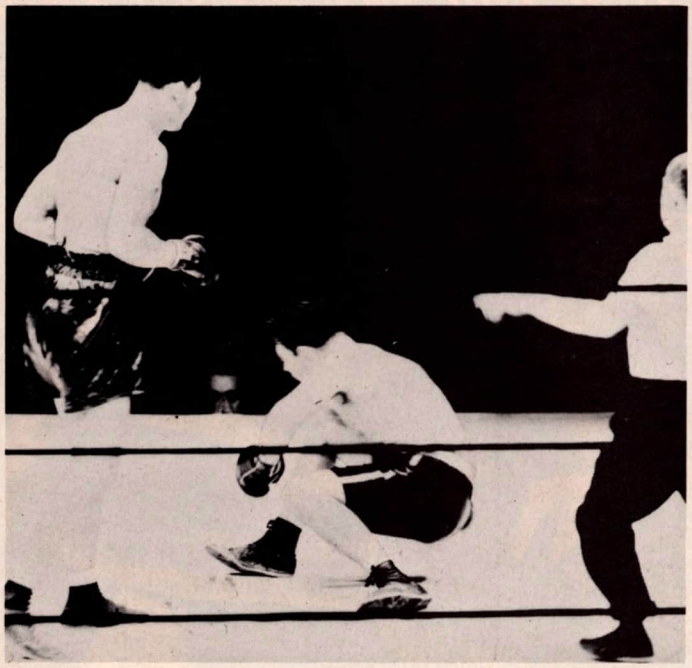

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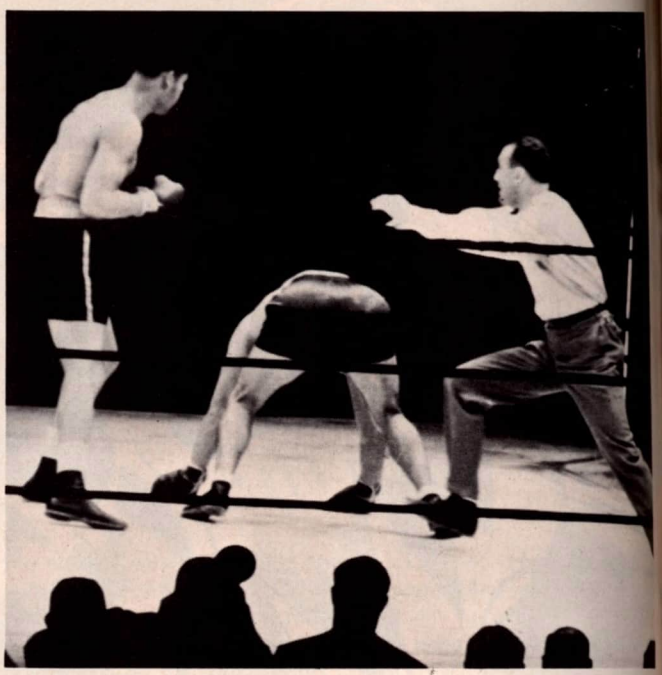

LOUIS KOs SCHMELING

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Wills' defeat by Jack Sharkey, following Dempsey's loss to Tunney in 1926, wrote finis to one of the most controversial chapters in boxing history, the Dempsey-Wills affair. The long-drawn-out wrangle had not been without some profit to Wills.

In 1925, free lance fight promoter Floyd Fitzsimmons, backed up by automobile manufacturing money, paid Wills a $50,000 retainer for his signature for a prospective Dempsey-Wills match. Nothing ever came of it, and the fifty grand provided the foundation for the affluence Harry Wills enjoyed as a real estate owner until he passed on at the age of 73.

Wills was not the only capable Negro boxer to be sidetracked by the backlash brewed by the bigotry of the Johnson Era. Kid Norfolk, a fine man personally and a top contending light heavyweight, who died early this year, never got the title opportunity he deserved. Panama Joe Gans, a West Indian welterweight protege of famed fight manager Leo P. Flynn, suffered a similar fate.

When Joe Louis first appeared on the national scene in 1935, racial relations in the country had retrogressed to the lowest depths of Black suppression, this was the time of the Great Depression, worsening an already despairing situation. In many respects conditions were even bleaker than they had been at the turn of the century for the Negro.

Since Flowers in 1926 there had been four Negro champions—Al Brown, bantamweight; Young Jack Thompson, welterweight; Kid Chocolate, featherweight, and Gorilla Jones, middleweight.

Of these a satiny skinned, sleek, 'Patent Leather Kid,' Chocolate, had made by far the most dazzling impact on the public. Beautiful in action, his irridescent style and personal charm had made the ebony Cuban the most popular Negro boxer since Dixon.

Despite this breakthrough in the lighter classes, one conspicuous barrier remained in the most important category, the heavyweights. Since Willard's victory over Johnson in 1915 no Negro had fought for the heavyweight title. Following Dempsey, Tunney, Schmeling, Sharkey and Carnera had gone along with this tacit exclusion. For the record, Max Baer was the first champion to publicly announce that he would disregard this practice.

Compared to the outlook in other sports for Negroes, the situation in boxing was utopian. The most stringent color line in American life was to be found in professional baseball. Professional football and basketball followed similar lines. In amateur golf, and tennis, Black participation was unthinkable in the Thirties, and Negro athletes were so few and far between on college gridirons, courts, and diamonds that they were oddities. Sports in those times were a reflection of the racial mores of the country.

This was the racial atmosphere in which Louis first arose. His prospects appeared as bleak and barren as a lunar waste but Joe Louis was one of the most fortunate of men. "A man is master of his fate but fortune is its mistress . . ." And Joe Louis had better luck with Dame Fortune than ladies-man Jack Johnson or homebody Harry Wills ever had.

Louis had been propelled into the heavyweight picture at a most propitious time. In 1935 the long time domination of boxing in New York by Madison Square Garden was being contested. A Hearst newspaper sportswriting combine, Damon Runyon, Bill Farnsworth and Ed Frayne, 'angeled' by moneyman Mike Jacobs, was in rebellion against the Garden monopoly.

For a number of years the writers had co-operated comfortably with the Garden in the promotion of big time boxing in behalf of the Hearst Milk Fund. Complications had come about between the Fund sponsors and the newly installed head of the Garden boxing department, the cocky and contentious James J. Johnston, due primarily to personality clashes.

Bulwarked by the vast publicity potential of the Hearst newspaper empire the Garden opposition appeared formidable. Meanwhile, Louis had hit the national headlines by way of a sensational streak of successes in the midwest. The Garden's reaction to this Negro phenom was stymied by a stubborn hangover of Johnson-phobia in its directorship.

While an inner-council debate dragged on about just what to do about Louis, Mike Jacobs, showing signs of being far different from the mere figurehead *(Continued on page 46)*

The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH — It's a new gag . . . If you don't like your manager, holler that you are retiring . . . If you have a fight with your wife, and lose it, scream "Retirement."... If your dinner doesn't set right, if your Cadillac goes on the fritz, yodel something about your having had enough of the fight game . . .

Of course, most of those retirement "threats" are plain bunk . . . Now and then somebody does quit, but what happens? Pretty soon he is back in the ring, tired of having sat around for a year or so with nothing to do but watch the bank account, aided by lack of revenue plus inflation, getting reduced . . . dismally.

The Ring is very careful about those retirement hollers . . . It believes that boxers who announce retirements and don't mean them are doing a rank dis-service to the game.

We are indebted to Ruth Briscie, Ephrata, Wash., for information concerning one-time boxer Kid Sharkey. Born Manuel Lewis, of Portuguese parents, Sharkey, at age 90, does his own gardening around his place near Eugene, Ore. Sharkey is the oldest living ring veteran. He was born in San Leandro, Cal. He fought as a light heavy under Jack Kearns.

Sharkey's first wife was killed in a railroad accident seven years ago. He remarried. His second spouse matches him in age.

The Kid had three children by wife No. 1—George, 61, Irene, a nurse, and Elaine, housewife in San Lorenzo.

His recent two-round knockout by Jerry Quarry in Oakland, Cal, was the 8th defeat, and 4th by K.O., suffered by British heavyweight Brian London in bouts with American opponents. Two of those setbacks were in world championship bouts, with Floyd Patterson and Cassius Clay. On an overall score, burly Brian is 15-8-1 against Yankees, since he began professional operations in 1955.

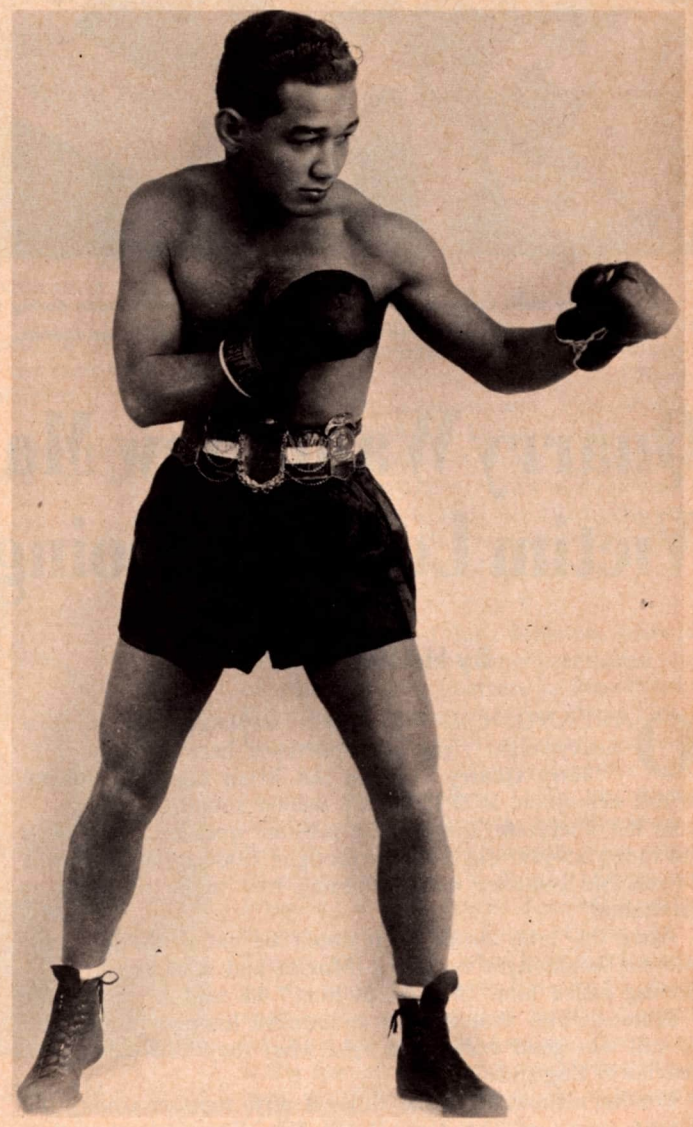
After serving 16 years as New Jersey State Athletic Commissioner, and more than twice that number of years as director of recreation in his hometown of Elizabeth, Joe Walker has resigned from both posts. Morris Mogelever, Walker's assistant in the Athletic Commission, has taken over until the 1970 administration in Trenton appoints a new Commissioner.

We would like to make a correction on an amateur result which appeared in "Boxing in Puerto Rico" a few months back. The result read "Henry Rodrigues, N.Y. won by default on allegation William Stewart, P.R., was a pro." It should have read William Stewart won by default on allegation Henry Rodrigues was a pro.

Sixto Escobar, who twice held the world bantamweight title, has been inducted into the Madison Square Garden Hall of Fame... Mexican amateur boxing team hung a loss on the U.S. boys in Milwaukee. The American team won only four bouts out of ten . . . Ex-bantamweight king Lionel Rose, Australia, was offered $20,000 by promoter George Parnassus for his first appearance as a featherweight . . . San Jose, Cal., promoter Auggie DeMilte guaranteed welterweight king Jose Napoles $50,000 to defend against Argentine Roberto Amaya.

Cuddy DeMarco, a scrappy lightweight boxer of the Twenties, died last month in Pittsburgh, Pa. He was 65 . . . Another death last month was Fresno's long time boxing promoter Billy Hunefeld. He died in Stockton, Cal., at the age of 71.

World champion New York Jet football star kickoff returner Mike Battle fought as a pro in Olympic stadium in L.A. last year and won. Mike explained that he was broke.

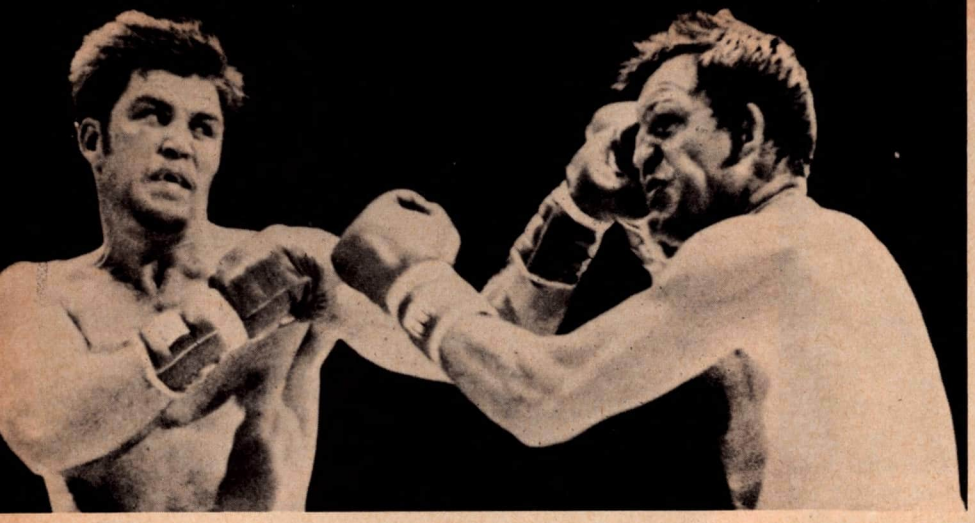


SIXTO ESCOBAR

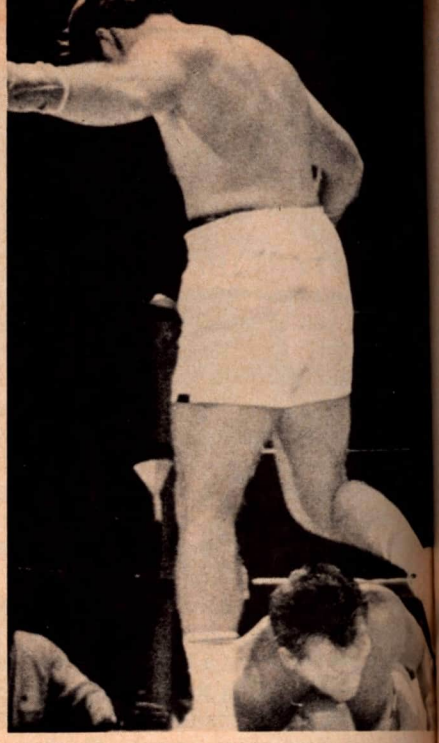
The B.B.C. TV telecast a boxing documentary which met with acclaim. The show was "The Noble Art of Boxing"... Mutual Sports Inc. has just released a record on the history of the heavyweight division. It's called "The Heavyweights."

Promoter Don Elbaum's hope to bring boxing back to Buffalo, N.Y. rests on middleweight Henry Pelow . . . Heavyweight Jerry Quarry's next bout appears to be with Sonny Liston in Oakland.. Nobody is taking Jerry's retirement seriously.

Doctors have given middleweight king Nino Benvenuti a clean bill of health. He is scheduled to defend his title against Luis Rodriguez later this year . . . Although he has celebrated birthday No. 80, veteran Al Fain, Milwaukee, continues active in boxing. Fain has been manager, promoter and matchmaker, and has been associated *(Continued on page 38)*



Jerry Quarry (left) scores with a left to the head of Brian London during the opening round of their contest in Oakland, Calif., won by Quarry via a knockout in two rounds.



Here is the end as Quarry steps over his beaten quarry at 2:30 of round two.

Quarry Wants New Manager? Victim London "Going On"

By HARRY TRENT

OAKLAND, Cal.—There was something billed as a heavyweight fight of importance here recently.

Jerry Quarry knocked out Brian London, onetime British champion, in 2:30 of the second round.

In the aftermath, there is the insistent question, "Why was the faded 35-year-old London brought 7,000 miles to fight a 24-year-old puncher whose winning had to be regarded as inevitable?"

After the brief melee, if it could be called that, Quarry said he would fight no more. Movies and a career in engineering called him. "My hands hurt," he said.

London, who should have announced his retirement, said he still was good enough to fight what they had among the heavies in England.

London's situation found little, if any, support among the boxing critics of the Tight Little Isle. They felt that they had seen more than enough of Brian.

Quarry's announced retirement was ridiculed by writers close to the young man from Bellflower, California.

Inside dope was that Quarry wanted to get away from his co-manager, Johnny Flores.

It is a situation similar to that of Ken Buchanan, British lightweight champion, who has announced his "retirement," but who, they say, plans to go on but wants to get away from his pilot, who demands ten grand in pounds for the contract.

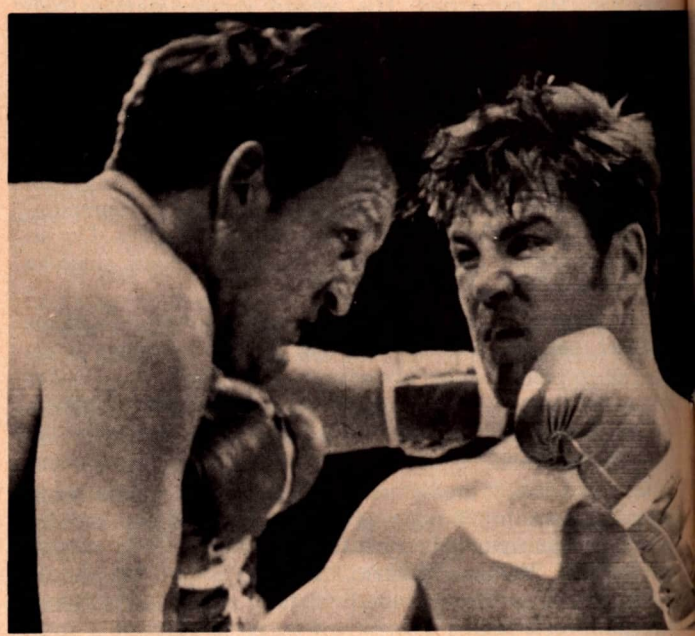
The Big Fight here ended in a mixup and gave London a chance to indulge in one of his customary squawks.

London was taking a count of eight in the second round when the bell rang.

It turned out that only two minutes had elapsed. Time keeper Joe Leopold shouted that he had hit the bell too soon.

Referee Rudy Ortega quickly got the fighters back into ring center. Then Quarry belted Reckless Brian with two hooks and a right to the side of the head.

London was not singing "Rule Brittania." He fell in what is known as a heap, appeared to be exerting pressure to arise at nine, and then rolled over on his face.



A snarling Quarry lands a hard right to the rather prominent chin of the Britisher as Jerry sets London up for the kill.

London, eager to catch a plane for London, had a brief press conference. He insisted that the gong had sounded at three minutes of the second round, and called on trainer Teddy McWhorter to back him up.

Interesting comment on London, his fight with Quarry, his yowl and his status was offered in the London Daily Express by Desmond Hackett, who wrote:

"London, who has a well-muscled tongue, loudly and extremely longly complained the round lasted more than three minutes.

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UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

JACK Dempsey, 75, and Gene Tunney, 72, are up and around again after surgery. Jack had an operation in Flushing, N.Y.C., and Gene underwent surgery in Boston.

Greeting old friends along the Broadway beat—we met him at Jack Dempsey's when Solly Seeman brought him over—was the former New York native, Mushy Callahan, once junior welterweight champion of the world. Mushy, who was born Morris Sheer in New York, on Nov. 3, 1905, started his boxing career as a newsboy graduate and was managed by Eddie Sears.

Mushy boxed from 1924 to 1930, lost his title to Jackie 'Kid' Berg in a ten in London, and retired.

Callahan was a boxing referee on the Coast for 25 years, some of the championship scraps he handled being Floyd Patterson vs. Roy Harris, Archie Moore vs. Tony Anthony, Ray Robinson vs. Carl 'Bobo' Olson and the bantam title go between Eder Jofre and Eloy Sanchez.

Callahan switched to the movie field and is now working with actor James Earl Jones, training him for "The Great White Hope" picture which is to be filmed in Barcelona, Spain, in January.

Mushy is adept at this business and is considered tops as a technical advisor. Callahan had experience with other film stars like Elvis Presley in "Kid Galahad," Kirk Douglas in "Champion" and Errol Flynn in "Gentleman Jim."

Mushy, who became a pal of Solly Seeman when the New Yorker campaigned in California and became the junior lightweight champion, was kept busy during his stay in New York. Callahan is married and has one son, Michael Anthony Callahan, a Jesuit Priest.

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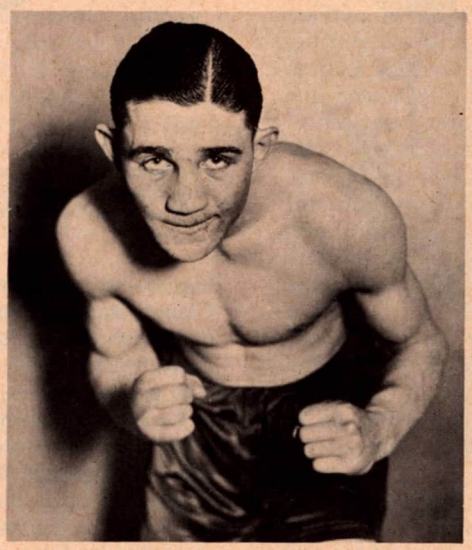
Benny Nabers, the one-time featherweight who is retired after twenty years in the New York Post Office, sends word from Miami, where he is now living, that he now is active only insofar as his affiliation with the Miami Veteran Boxers' Ring, of which he is a past president. Benny, who will be 68 years old on New Year's day, falsified his age record when he enlisted in World War I, actually being only 15½ years old.

Benny had a fine record as an amateur. He likes to recall the days when he sometimes fought five times in a week. He was associated with the old Glencoe A. C.

He later turned pro and among those whom he beat were Bruce Flowers, Al Bryant, Johnny Kochansky, the Jersey City favorite, Vic Burrone, Al Tripoli, Dominick Petrone, Pete Nebo, the "Seminole Indian," Harry Mulcahey, and Joe Barbara.

Benny had 234 amateur bouts and 313 as a pro, and many of the men he boxed in those years are well remembered by veterans in the game.

Nabers recalls one scrap that stands out, with Sammy Tisch for the State



MUSHY CALLAHAN

featherweight crown. Benny says Sammy refused to come out for the fourth round. His purse amounted to less than $2,000, although he was the champ, while Tisch drew down $3,476.

Benny says he may get back into boxing by handling a few boys with his old pal, Moe Fleischer, now associated with the Dundees.

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Speaking of Dempsey's, we recently ran into our old friend Babe Triscaro, a flyweight active from 1928 to 1937. Triscaro won the National flyweight AAU crown in 1931. He remembers when he and Lou Salica, later two time pro bantam king, had a hectic duel. Triscaro is head of Teamster Local 436 in Cleveland and the Teamsters of Ohio.

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Tommy McGinty, former manager of welter king Tommy Freeman, is living in Palm Springs, Fla. Suey Welch, who will be remembered as manager of Gorilla Jones, a great middleweight and one-time claimant to the crown, now lives at the Elks Club in Los Angeles.

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Spotted Sammy Vogel, who fought as a bantam to lightweight, on Broadway. Sammy, who had as managers Phil Bernstein, Harry Garsch and Pete Reilly, when Pete had Jack Delaney, light heavyweight champion, is living at the Hotel Aberdeen, in New York City. Vogel was active from 1921 to 1929. He was 67 last July. He beat Billy Petrolle, Bruce Flowers and Mike Dundee.

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The passing of Lou Stillman, once a famous gymnasium owner, reminded me of other training quarters in New York. Stillman's first spot was on West 125th St., later on to 8th Avenue, between 54th and 55th Sts. Many remember Billy Grupp's was on West 116th St., Philadelphia Jack O'Brien's on Broadway, Bill Duffy's at 711 Seventh Ave., and Charley Doessereck's Pioneer Gym, on West 44th St. There Tom O'Rourke staged many great fights. Later came Jimmy O'Connor, who had three rings on the main floor. Mac Levy had a good spot in the old Madison Square Garden on 26th St. and 4th Avenue. There are still a few gyms around the Metropolitan area, Gil Clancy's, and Bobby Gleason's in the Bronx.

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Saw little Petey Hayes, once managed by Frankie Jay and the late Sol Gold, strolling on Broadway. Petey, a featherweight, remembers the nights he bested Kid Chocolate, Mike Belloise and Al Roth. Petey's still active and was 58 years old last October. He boxed during the years 1928 and 1938, has two children and five grandchildren, and is in public relations.

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Sammy Snyder, brother of featherweight Jackie Snyder, who is living in Miami, retired, was a 118-120 pounder from Brooklyn who boxed in 1920 and 1921. Sammy, who says he's a cousin of the late Frankie Callahan, Brooklyn lightweight who was managed by Dan Mc-

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RODRIGO VALDES UNA JOYA MAS DEL PUGILISMO HISPANO DEBUTO CON GRAN EXITO EN NEW YORK

Por PEDRO GALIANA

LA revista THE RING lo dijo oportunamente: El promotor que desee darle colorido a sus programas de boxeo, renovando totalmente su material, para ofrecer al público caras, nuevas, de clase, que sabe lo que hacer en el ring, no tiene más que dirigir su mirada hacia la América Latina, donde existen docenas de buenos productos pugilísticos que aún no han sido descubiertos por los promotores americanos. Citamos algunos nombres. Nombres de ases que triunfan plenamente en Venezuela, Colombia, Brasil, México, Perú, Uruguay y Argentina, y dijimos esto: El día que un promotor se lance a traerlos, no se arrepentirá, porque, estará presentando bajo su tutela boxeadores que podrán llegar fácilmente al campeonato del mundo, tan pronto como adquieran la conveniente experiencia.

El primer muchacho que fué llamado a los rings newyorkinos, después de la información de THE RING, fué el jovencito Rodrige Valdés, un chico de Cartagena, Colombia, de 23 años, que en 1967 ganó el campeonato welter de su país, derrotando decisivamente al que poseía la faja en ese entonces: Kid Peche.

Como las grandes obras teatrales, Rodrigo se dió a conocer primero por fuera, antes de ser presentado oficialmente en el Madison Square Garden de New York, y en dos salidas que hizo logró impresionantes victorias en Las Vegas, Nevada. Primero se enfrentó a Peter Coblah, a quien superó fácilmente obteniendo decisión unánime de los jueces y después lidió con Mike Defeo, a quien liquidó en menos de un minuto de pelea, en el primer round, también en Las Vegas.

Con estos dos triunfos en la mano, guiado inteligentemente por Gil Clancy, con la cooperación del destacado entrenador cubano Antolín (Chino) Govín, Rodrigo hizo su debut en la catedral del boxeo, enfrentándose nada menos que a David Meléndez, de Puerto Rico, que hasta esos momentos no había perdido un combate en 20 celebrados, y después de propinarle decisiva paliza, lo noqueó en cinco rounds, para anotarse uno de los triunfos más esplendorosos que se han conocido en New York, por artista latino del ring, en los últimos tiempos.

Toda la critica newyorkina aplaudió la demostración de Rodrigo, asegurando lo mismo que había anticipado THE RING; que se trataba de uno de los más destacados prospectos que han venido últimamente a New York de la América Latina, probando con ello que el material que se desarrolla ahora más abajo del Río Grande, es lo suficientemente bueno para llegar rápidamente a peleas por el campeonato mundial.

Rodrigo, que no tiene todavía un año en los Estados Unidos, es ya figura de cartel, y a manos de su mentor, Gil Clancy, han llegado ya toda clase de proposiciones para aparecer como figura estelar en programas del mismo Garden de New York y del club de Los Angeles que dirige George Parnassus.

(I) Rodrigo Valdes, estrella del boxeo colombiano, que debuté sensacionalmente en el Garden, noqueando a David Meléndez en 5 rounds, recibe el saludo del campeon panameno Ismael Laguna.

Dedicado por entero a la pesca, antes de abrazar la carrera pugilística, luce que el fósforo ingerido a través de tanto pescado que comió, le han transformado en un atleta muy inteligente, con el resultado de que Rodrigo sabe en todo momento lo que está haciendo en el ring. Nunca deja escapar un golpe en falso, y, cuando inicia una ofensiva es porque ya tiene perfectamente calculado el estrago que puede ocasionar con sus golpes. Siguiendo la escuela del Chino Govín, que en estos menesteres lleva algunos años, Rodrigo se ha colocado rápidamente en primera línea, entre los pugilistas importados de la América Latina, y luce que va a ser una figura popular en sus futuras presentaciones.

Rodrigo está satisfecho de lo que ha hecho hasta ahora, pero, personalmente no cree que ya ha llegado a un total desarrollo como boxeador. "Sé lo que me ha enseñado Govín, que es bastante. Pero, comprendo que todavía tengo que acostumbrarme a la escuela americana del deporte, que es la que gusta a los fanáticos de este país."

"No espero tener problemas para adaptarme, sin embargo, y creo que en pocas salidas estaré en disposición de retar al mejor del mundo para una pelea por la faja. No tengo miedo. Me siento bien, feliz, saludable y sé que voy a caminar muy lejos bajo la tutela de Gil El chino Govín, que lleva años en los trasiegos pugilísticos, habiéndose iniciado en La Habana, Cuba, en la época en que la plaza habanera era solamente segunda de la de New York en la América, cree también que este muchacho de Cartagena, Colombia, está ya colocado en la ruta del triunfo y cree *(Continúa en la página 38)*

Jersey Jones Recalls:

RISE AND FALL OF U.S. TYKES

A REAL tragedy of American boxing has been the disappearance from the major scene of the two lightest divisions, flyweight and bantamweight, which contributed so much in history and tradition to the archives of the Marquis of Queensberry's favorite pastime.

Time was, and not so far in the distant past, when the tiny tykes were among the most active and popular performers in the American ring. Many of those little 'uns of yesteryear have since been elected to Boxing's Hall of Fame, housed in the headquarters of The Ring.

But the years move on, times and conditions change, and the wee 'uns no longer play an active role in American boxing. For one thing, youngsters these days are growing taller and heavier. Even the horse racing tracks are finding it difficult locating talent light enough to qualify as jockeys, and the Yanks have been replaced by importations from Latin-America, notably Puerto Rico, Panama and the Argentina.

The eras of the George Dixons, Terry McGoverns, Johnny Coulons, Kid Williams', Earl Puryears, Memphis Pal Moores, Midget Smiths, Carl Tremaines, Johnny Buffs, Frankie Genaros, Abe Goldsteins, Charley (Phil) Rosenbergs, Corporal Izzy Schwartzes and Fidel LaBarbas have vanished. The United States hasn't had a world flyweight champion since the Hawaiian, Dado Marino, faded away in the early '50s, and the last bantamweight titleholder, Manuel Ortiz, of California, was beaten by Vic Toweel in Johannesburg, South Africa, in 1950.

Both the flyweight and bantamweight titles have done considerable shifting around the globe in the last two decades. The 112-pound laurels have, in succession, gone to Japan, Argentina, back to Japan, thence to Thailand, Italy, Scotland, Thailand again and Mexico, while the 118-pound crown has travelled from South Africa to Australia, Algeria, Italy, again to Algeria, Mexico, Brazil, Japan and once more to Australia. Its latest move has been to Mexico again, with Ruben Olivares battering his way to a one-sided triumph over Lionel Rose.

The only connection the United States has had with either the flyweight or bantamweight title has been to stage some of the 118-pound championship bouts in Los Angeles. It was there that Rose, the Australian aborigine, twice defended the laurels—against Mexicans Joey Medel and Chucho Castillo—before his third Mexican challenger, Olivares, demolished him.

Back in the 1910s, '20s and '30s, there hardly was a city, town or hamlet in the United States that wasn't represented by at least one prominent flyweight and/or bantamweight, and through the years the nation produced some of the finest champions and title contenders the sock market has known.

This commentator recalls how the flyweight division, with a then 108-pound limit, became popular with American fandom.

Until Jimmy Wilde, the "Mighty Atom" of Wales, was recognized as world champion in 1916, there was no such thing as a flyweight class in the U.S. Any American youngster at or under that low poundage was forced to compete against heavier bantam. But Wilde's visit in 1919-20 aroused interest in the tiny tykes, and a scramble ensued for recognition of an American champion. The leaders were Frankie Mason, Johnny Buff, Abe Goldstein and Patsy Wallace. They survived a score or more elimination bouts held throughout the land, and eventually the two semi-finals were staged the same night—

Manuel Ortiz of California, the last American to hold world bantamweight title. Aside from one brief span in 1947, when he lost and regained the championship in bouts with Harold Dade, Ortiz was the 118-pound title-holder from 1942 to 1950. The championship has since travelled to South Africa, Australia, Algeria, Italy, Algeria again, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, once more to Australia and back to Mexico.

Buff outpointing Mason in New Orleans and Goldstein flattening Wallace at the old Pioneer Club in New York. That meant a showdown between Buff and Goldstein. The bout was arranged for the Manhattan Casino in New York and Buff registered a spectacular two-round knockout.

The arrival from the Philippines of Pancho Villa added to the flyweight excitement. Villa's all-conquering campaign in the U.S. was climaxed by his winning the American title from Buff, and the world championship from Wilde. By then, the weight limit for the class had been raised to 112.

Villa's untimely passing from blood poisoning, following a non-title fracas in 1925 with ban- *(Continued on page 40)*

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sinceramente que no pasará mucho tiempo sin que se le vea discutiendo el campeonato del mundo.

"Rodrigo es un gran atleta, sabe pensar rápido en el ring, que es esencial en un boxeador, y no le tiene miedo a nadie, lo que significa que aceptará siempre cualquier contrario que le pongan. Además—dice Govín, "es un muchacho sano, de punch tremendo, que ha de anotarse muchas victorias por la vía rápida en New York."

Rodrigo fué campeón de pesca submarina en su país, habiendo bajado hasta 64 pies de profundidad para capturar con sus propias manos langostas y conchas, sufrió un impasse en su carrera, siendo superado por Daniel Guanín en Quito, Ecuador, aunque la prensa dijo después que le habían dado una mala situación, y ahora que se encuentra en los Estados Unidos, peleando bajo el estandarte de Clancy con Govín de instructor.

Colombia—dice Rodrigo, "tiene muy buenos prospectos del ring y muchos debieran ir hasta allá para formar a los muchachos que se abren paso." Después cité los nombres de Rafael Luna, Germán Castelbordo, Paticas Jiménes, Kid Pambele y Ciclón Bogotano, los cuales están aún en Colombia, esperando que alguien les de la oportunidad.

OTRO GRAN PROSPECTO HISPANO

República Deminicana, aparte del excampeón mundial de los pesos ligeros, Carlos (Teo) Cruz, ha producido últimamente una serie interesante de boxeadores que, con ayuda de mayor experiencia, podrán establecer una movida dinastía, que situará al país entre los primeros en boxeo en la América Latina.

Para desarrollarse propiamente, los jóvenes dominicanos están buscande una fuerte base fundamental del deporte, y, para ello están haciendo su presentación en los distintos torneos de aficionados que se efectúan.

Aquí en New York tenemos una gran cantidad de chiquillos que buscan esa consagración, y entre los mejores prospectos que hemos visto en acción, tenemos a este chico que presentamos hoy, Eduardo Recio Cordero, de 23 años, que teniendo solamente un año en New York, ya se ha dado a conocer como artista de los puños, imponiéndose decisivamente. Eduardo fué sub-campeón de la división mediana en el último torneo de Guantes Latinos del periódico EL TIEMPO. Pero, eso no es solo, los elementos del Waldorf Astoria lo tienen por su más legítima representación y consideran que Eduardo, con más experiencia, podrá ser una de las grandes figuras de la división mediana entre los "pros."

Para buscar, precisamente, esa experiencia, Eduardo concurre casi diariamente al West Side Athletic Club, donde no abandona un solo instante sus actividades pugilistas. A pesar de que, sus funciones de cocinero en la cocina del New York Hilton le roba gran parte de su tiempo, pues trabaja de 9 a 5 de la tarde, Eduardo siempre tiene un espacio para el boxeo, y, para sus estudios, lo que le convierte en uno de los muchachos más inteligentes con vistas al futuro del grupo grande de chiquillos de la América Latina que se han establecido en New York.

Miembro de una familia de 12 hermanos, uno de los cuales está con él en New York y practica también el deporte, después de haber sido campeón amateur en Santo Domingo, Eduardo posee una excelente constitución física, y lleva una vida normal, sana, que le permite mantenerse en magníficas condiciones. Nativo del mismo Santo Domingo, del populoso barrio de San Carlos, de donde han salido grandes prospectos del deporte, Eduardo dice que su máxima aspiración es ganar un campeonato mundial para demostrar que en República Dominicana se producen también grandes titulares del pugilismo.

El cree que Teo Cruz volverá a recuperar la faja mundial, y dice que, tan pronto como se abran las puertas de los estadios de New York a los muchachos dominicanos, con seguridad que el público de New York conocerá una serie de boxeadores de clase, que les harán recordar fácilmente los buenos tiempos idos del boxeo.

"Allá en mi patria"—dice Eduardo. "Hay prospectos grandes para lucir en New York. Todo lo que ésta gente necesita es una oportunidad, en la seguridad de que, si se las dan, en poco tiempo pondrán a Santo Domingo al lado de Cuba, Puerto Rico y Venezuela entre los países de Centro-América que mejor contribución han hecho al boxeo mundial."

THE CHATTER BOX

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with Gorilla Jones, Tait Littman, and Phil Zwick.

Former heavyweight king Floyd Patterson has appealed an Internal Revenue Service claim that he owes $358,870 in back taxes. Records in the U.S. Tax Court show that the government is seeking $94,856 for the year 1959; $113,239 for 1960; and $150,775 for 1961 . . . The wife of former welterweight king Jackie Fields died last month. She was 49 . . . Lightweight Lou Hicks, Syracuse, N.Y. is a baker . . . Ever Hammer, 74, highly rated lightweight of World War I era, died in Anaheim, Cal. Hammer fought Benny Leonard, Freddie Walsh, and Ad Wolgast.

Dom DiSimoni, a member of a well-known boxing family, is guiding welterweight Johnny Rohland, Scranton, Pa. . . . Kingston, N.Y. soon will be back in boxing with a pro-amateur show . . . Rumor has it that an arena is projected for Sullivan County, N.Y. . . . It will house a boxing club . . . Jersey City Armory will see monthly shows under the direction of Lou Lucchesi, of Philadelphia . . . Veteran fight manager Joe Gramby has added Philadelphia welterweight Billy Lloyd to his stable.

Seymour Weiss, who owned the New Orleans Roosevelt Hotel, died last month. Weiss was the fellow who wanted to make Jack Dempsey a top bandleader after Jack retired from the ring. It didn't work because Jack just couldn't handle a baton . . . Jack presented the Rocky Marciano Memorial Award at an international boxing meet in Madison Square Garden.

Doug Lord, manager of ex-welterweight king Curtis Cokes, now has a new tiger named Willie Warren . . . Promoter Paul Tibbs is doing great in his effort to bring boxing back to the capital . . . Charleston, W. Va., welterweight Clyde Tyler has been suspended indefinitely by the D.C. Commission for failure to appear on a Tibbs show . . . Les Murray, Australian middleweight of the Forties, recent caller on the Ring, is a stockbroker in Sydney . . . Victor Corchado, Puerto Rican featherweight, who had close to 100 bouts, is a mechanical dentist in New York . . . Madison Square Garden has announced it will run weekly this winter. The bouts will be telecast to South America . . . Mexican lightweight Arturo Lomeli had to pull out of his bout with Newark's Lloyd Marshall due to a motorcycle accident.

TAX GRABBERS RUNNING BOXING, DELAY FRAZIER AND ELLIS TEST

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son and Mark Tessman, is not ready for Foster.

Jerry Quarry might become interested in Foster. Jerry has become a trial horse. On the rebound from the KO by Frazier the Californian picked up a handsome stipend for doing very little. He knocked out Brian London in the second round.

Quarry has been reported to be considering retirement but California says, "Nix. It's a managerial squabble." Quarry has been piloted by his dad and co-manager Johnny Flores.

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MEXICAN BOXING FEATURED
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By Eduardo Amer G.

Mexico City, D.F.—Mexican boxing of recent record was featured not by a fight in this country but a 10 round contest in Los Angeles. Manuel Ramos, 212, outpointed Tony Doyle, Salt Lake, 210, for a unanimous decision.

Doyle, who had won five straight, fought well. The Ramos faction had expected a knockout victory for Ramos. But the Mexican was pressed.

Here in Mexico City, Lorenzo "Halimi" Gutierrez, 112, technically stopped Manuel "Lachy" Linares, 112, Dominican Republic, in the fifth round. Mariano Morales, 134, TKO'd Leoncio Ortiz, 134, in eight. "Cchocolate" Ramos, 136, halted Raymundo Rodriguez, 134, in seven. Adolfo Huesca, 116, won from Javier Torres, 116, in six. Tomas Gutierrez, 117, and Jose Luis Martinez, 117, drew in four.

▶**Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas:** Aurelio Muñiz, 125, TKO'd Rogelio Fernandez, 127, in nine. Jose Luis "Frijol" Madrid, 124, stopped Joe Valenzuela, 125, in two. Chuy Llamos, 124, embalmed Alfredo Mares, 134, in three.

▶**Merida, Yucatan**—Jose "Dinamita" Hernandez, 125, won an unpopular decision over Manuel Paul, 123, Dominican Republic, in 10. Jose Medina, 115, TKO'd Alejandro Leon, 117, in three. Manolo Jimenez, 118, destroyed Benny "Billeterito" Cortes, 117, in three. Babe San Martin, 121, decisioned Luis Muñoz, 120, in six. Kid Valente, 112, whipped Carlos Gomez, 112, in four.

▶**Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua**—Octavio "Famoso" Gomez, 113, outpointed Oscar "Oso" Martinez, 112, in 10. Manuel Barrios, 124, bested Clemente Muciño, 125, in 10. Julio Cesar Segura, 117, TKO'd Raul Bolaños, 117, in five. Tarcisio "Famosito" Gomez, 115, nailed Francisco Heredia, 114, in four.

▶**Hermosillo, Sonora**—Rafael Gutierrez, 154, Mexican middleweight champion, TKO'd Cipriano Hernandez, 150, in eight. Jose "Chino" Morales, 122, beat Felipillo Gonzalez, 121, in 10. Cenobio Valenzuela, 124, and Ricardo Garcia, 125, drew in 10. Ruben Leyva, 129, iced Raul Garate, 127, in one. Ricardo Felix, 136, put Indio Bastidas, 134, to sleep in the first round.

▶**Merida, Yucatan** — Memo Rodriguez, 116, stopped veteran Rach Camara, 116, in four. Baby Ricalde, 122, upset the gang when he easily outscored favorite "Torero" Bracamonte, 125, in 10. Negro Vazquez, 126, defeated Indio Geronimo, 124, in 10. Mario Osalde, 127, TKO'd Pepe el Toro, 126, in six. Rufino Gallegos, 109, won from "Polvorita" Calderon, 108, in four.

▶**Ensenada, Baja California**—Felipillo Gonzalez, 118, TKO'd Victor Rios, 117, in six. Jose Luis Estrada, 125, halted Polo Ruiz, 124, in two. Ruben Correa, 116, stopped "Oaxaco" Garcia, 115, in the sixth.

▶**Merida, Yucatan**—Manuel Paul, 121, won from "Torero" Bracamonte, 125, in 10. Memo Rodriguez, 119, TKO'd Mike Heman, 119, in five. Rach Camara, 117, disposed of Jose "Torito" Suarez, 117, in four. Mario Osalde, 134, iced Geronimo Ku, 133, in one. Vicente Pool, 110, TKO'd Victor Leal, 111, in four.

▶**Escarcega, Campeche** — Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 129, flattened Negro Vazquez, 127, in five.

▶**Chetumal, Quintana Roo** — Antonio "Zorro" Franco, 134, and Baby Rodriguez, 135, drew in 10. Joe Torres, 142, polished off young Kid Azteca, 142. in four. Kid Torito, 120, destroyed Roger Rodriguez, 118, in the opening heat. Gallito Ku, 114, decisioned Venadito Vazquez, 113. in four.

▶**Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas**—"Torbellino" Valazquez, 111, stopped Gaby Perez, 110, in nine. "Torito" Gomez, 111, kayoed Zurdo Espinosa, 112, in five.

▶**Mexico**—Ricardo Arredondo, 124, TKO'd Jorge "Chango" Villanueva, 124, in the 10th and last round. Pancho Martinez, 123, and Jorge "Diablo" Saldivar, 124, drew in 10. Valentin Martinez, 110, TKO'd Martin Lopez, 111, in six. Raymundo Garcia, 116, halted "Zorrito" Morales, 117, in five. Ricardo Fernandez, 117, bested Antonio Robles, 117, in four.

▶**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Marcos Gomez, 137, stopped Glafir Cruz, 134, in four. Chilo Ortega, 123, nailed "Zorra" Yepez, 124. Salvador Martinez, 124, disposed of Memo Ramirez, 123, in seven.

▶**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Gerardo Fernandez, 125, TKO'd Jose "Borrado" Perez, 124, in 10. Arturo Peña Duque, 124, embalmed Panterita Ramirez, 123, in three.

▶**Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas**—"Huracan" Ballinas, 112, lost to Jorge "Canguro" Quiroz, 111, in 10. Antonio Gonzalez, 121, won from Rafael Zuñiga, 121, in eight.

Veteran Boxers In Brawl, Break Into Two Groups

THE Veteran Boxers Association again is in turmoil. It has busted up into factions —two, by the latest conservative count.

One group held a convention in Philadelphia and elected Jersey Jones president.

Another group, headed by the current president, Scoop Gallello, is scheduled to hold a convention in Asbury Park, New Jersey.

The Ring Magazine is quite willing to stand by and let them fight it out.

▶**Mexico**—Memo Tellez, 117, was stopped by Alfredo Meneses, 117, in only two rounds. It was the last fight of Tellez. Rafael Gonzalez, 118, polished off Jose Camargo, 117, in eight. Jose Salas, 124, TKO'd Benjamin Ibañez, 124, in six. Juan Robles, 111, stopped Alejandro Baños, 112, in three. Victor Hernandez, 116, beat Jose Luis Diaz, 117, in four.

▶**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Victor Rocha, 118, TKO'd Margarito Cazares, 117, in one. Elias Puga, 124, beat Joaquin Ulloa, 125, in 10.

▶**Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Juvencio Martinez, 124, TKO'd Manuel "Botas" Gomez, 124, in five. Felix Casteñeda, 125, decisioned Benjamin "Benny" Agraz, 124, in 10. Gabriel Flores, 117, won from Nacho Lopez, 116, in eight.

▶**Acapulco, Guerrero**—Olympian Alberto Morales, 112, in pro debut, stopped Mike Estrada, 112, in seven. Zurdo Palacios, 121, TKO'd Alfonso Garcia, 120, in five.

▶**Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas** — Cesar Deciga, 124, won an unpopular decision over German Bastidas, 124, in 10. Crispin Benitez, 142, TKO'd Jorge del Toro, 144, in two. Humberto H. Borda, 124, TKO'd Miguel Ortiz, 122, in eight.

▶**Tampico, Tamaulipas** — Armando Villa, 114, halted Emeterio Campos, 116, in six. "Cuervo" Gameros, 134, was stopped by Chuy Llanos, 134, in three.

▶**Mexico**—Raul Martinez Mora, 117, technically kayoed Memo Espinosa, 117, in six. Chano Rodriguez, 113, won from "Alacrán Takahasi, 113, in eight. Chino Torres, 121, halted Mauricio Costilla, 122, in three. Lester Marquez, 124, embalmed Salvador Rendon, 125, in three.

▶**Chetumal, Quintana Roo**—Pantera de Champoton, 134, TKO'd Kid Campeche, 132, in eight. Chamaco Hoil, 140, lost to "Huracan" Torres, 141, in six. Baby Gomez, 124, decisioned Nani Kid, 125, in four.

▶**Mexico, D. F.**—Placido Rodriguez, 128, won from Pedro Dominguez, 128, in ten. Indio Cisneros, 117, TKO'd Gregorio Martinez, 116, in eight. Guillermo Hernandez, 132, beat Alejandro Morales, 134, in six. Dario Anguiano, 146, defeated Luis Munguia, 147, in six. Boni Valdez, 126, TKO'd Filiberto Gutierrez, 126, in one.

▶**Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas**—Ney "Pipi" Gordillo, 112, TKO'd "Relámpago" Villatoro, 111, in five.

▶**Ascapulco, Guerrero** — Antonio Muñoz, 125, knocked out Manuel Mendoza, 124, in eight. Marcos "Perro" Aguilar, 140, destroyed Fili de los Santos, 142, in four. Alfredo Perez, 120, flattened "Chaparra" Perez, 118, in two.

▶**Mexico, D. F.** — Enrique Garcia, 124, TKO'd Aurelio Cazares, 124, in eight. Chucho Flores, 125, decisioned Lupe Aguilar, 123, in 10. Jorge Carrasco, 121, TKO'd Jose Morales, 121, in three. Fernando Martinez, 117, outscored Pedro Cabañas, 117, in six. Gabriel Roque, 109, bested Jose Curiel, 110, in four.

▶**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Jose Eleuterio Luna, 120, TKO'd Isidro Escobar, 118, in three. Chuy Cadena, 133, stopped Alfredo de la Rosa, 134, in seven. Silvino Vazquez, 124, halted Alvaro Barragan, 123, in three. Ruben Zuñiga, 120, flattened Victor Morales, 122, in four.

▶**Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Pablo Vega, 117, outpunched Jesus Rodriguez, 117, in 10. Chilo Ortega, 121, won from Teo Jimenez, 120, in 10.

▶**Acambaro, Guanajuato**—Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 136, polished off "Coneja" Valadez, 135, in six.

▶**Guyamas, Sonora**—Polo Corona, 135, nailed Santos Torres, 135, in 10. Ernesto Tapiz, 134, TKO'd "Pajaro" Morales, 133, in three.

▶**Cuernavaca, Morales** — Antonio Roldan, 124, disposed of Jose Montoya, 123, in two. Enrique Peñaranda, 125, Colombia, and Chucho Carreon, 124, drew in 10. Jorge Ceja, 127, TKO'd Alvaro Millan, 125, in six.

▶**Jalapa, Veracruz**—Juanito Rodriguez, 124, polished off Alejandro Minaya, 125, Dominican Republic, in two.

▶**Mexico, D. F.** — Fernando "Fer" Fernandez, 114, TKO'd Fillo Morales, 114, in four. Jose Cruz, 111, decisioned Alfonso Barragan, 110, in eight. Jose Sanchez, 116, gained Porfirio Delgado, 117, in six. Enrique Melendez, 123, stopped Toño Alonso, 123, in four. Juan Granados, 117, lost to Ismael Granados, 117, in four.

▶**Chetumal, Quintana Roo**—Baby Ricalde, 122, outboxed Indio Geronimo, 121, in 10. Chamaco Padilla, 134, TKO'd Panterita de Champoton, 136, in siven. Torbellino Maya Hoil, 144, TKO'd Chamaco Alvarez, 142, in the opening round.

▶**Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas**—Javier Cruz "Torito" Gomez, 117, TKO'd "Cachorro" Hernandez, 116, in eight. Ramiro Flores, 112, defeated Antonio Gonzalez, 110, in eight.

▶**Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas** — Saul Montana, 117, put Jorge Zuñiga, 118, to sleep in seven.

▶**Acapulco, Guerrero**—Ruben Arocha, 144, beat Alex Olguin, 141, in 10.

▶**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Beto Gonzalez, 124, stopped Ray Lazo, 125, in six. Diego Martinez, 118, halted Fernando "Ratón" Segura, 118, in six.

▶**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon** — Chuy Rocha, 117, won from Chucho Miranda, 114, in 10. "Calabrote" Guerreo, 185, iced Teo Navarro, 186, in one.

▶**Hermosillo, Sonora**—Manuel Fierros, 143, outpointed Mauro Galvan, 145, in 10. Jesus Mariscal, 124, and Cenobio Valenzuela, 124, drew in 10.

JERSEY JONES CHOSEN HEAD OF
● VETS IN PHILLY SESSION ●
By Archie Pirolli

Philadelphia, Pa.—The Veteran's Boxers' Association held its National Convention in Philly. Tony Morgano, 1969 President, did not run for re-election. New York's Jersey Jones is new prez.

New officers voted in were: Tommy Loughran, Honorary President; Eddie Milson, 1st Vice President; Clarence Davisson, 2nd Vice Jresident; Jack Saurina, Bernie Manhoff, Treasurer; Lou Forman, executive Secretary. Executive Committee: Charley Eeetinger, Tony Morgano, Andy Martin.

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HEAVYWEIGHTS

Sonny Liston kayoed Sonny Banks, three. Jerry Quarry halted Brian London, two. Mac Foster stopped Cleveland Williams, five.

George Chuvalo kayoed Stanford Harris, two. Manuel Ramos defeated Tony Doyle, 10. Bill Drover halted Kevin Hogan, one. Eddie Talhami kayoed John Hudgins, seven. George Foreman stopped Cookie Wallace, two.

Lee Carr beat Billy Williams, 10. Vic Brown decisioned Mert Brownfield, 10. Bob Mashburn halted Jesse Crown, four.

Ted Gulick kayoed Bill Hardney, one. Chuck Haynes beat Bill Hardney, four.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Hal Carroll outpointed Vernon Clay, 10. Andy Kendall drew with Larry Buck, 10. Ron Wilson kayoed Tracy Morrison, four, beat Tom Kearse, 10.

Jimmy McDermott halted Nat Edwards, three. Paul Patin halted Dick Willis, four. Mike Quarry beat Ken Watkins, six. Bob Hayes kayoed Joe Ray, one. Al Bolden halted Josh Hall, four.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Luis Rodriguez beat Tom Bethea, 10. Freddie Little kayoed Hisao Minami, two. World Junior Middleweight Title.

Tom Bogs beat Juan Carlos Duran, 15, European Middleweight Title. Doyle Baird halted Danny Perez, nine. Denny Moyer stopped Henry Walker, nine. Lonnie Harris beat George Cooper, 10.

Nate Williams outpointed Benny Barra, 10, Rocky Rivero, 10. Porter Rollie beat Louis Galvan, 10. Henry Pelow halted Sonny Fields, one.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Percy Pugh beat Miguel Barreto, 10. Billy Backus outpointed Jerry Pellegrini, 10. Rodrigo Valdez decisioned David Melendez, 10, kayoed Mike DeFeo, one.

Willie Warren beat Jorge Rosales, 10. Donato Paduano halted Colin Fraser, 10. Joey Durelle outpointed Junio Hinton, 10. Roberto Amaya stopped Gilberto de Los Santos, six. Charlie Shipes kayoed Johnny Brooks, one. Lee Kum Tak beat Yoshiaki Eto, 10.

George Carter decisioned Yoshiaki Akasaka, 10. Yoshimitsu Okabe won from Saburo Saito, 10. Koichi Wajima kayoed Noriyasu Yoshimura, four. Hideo Kanazawa halted Muneo Mizoguchi, three, Orient Junior Middleweight Title.

Johnny Gant stopped Jose Myers, six. Roland Pryor halted Teddy Cooper, seven. Al Romano beat Roy Williams, 10. Clarence Geigger stopped Don Smith, three. Bobby Hayman beat Frank Steele, six. Ruben Melendez decisioned Juan Ramos, six.

Ron Miller outpointed Claude Wade, eight. Benito Juarez drew with Max Harding, five. Gerald Ratte kayoed Al Baschir, one.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Nicolino Loche beat German Gastelbondo, 10, non-title. Adolph Pruitt kayoed Javier Ayala, seven.

Rodolfo Gonzalez halted Steve Freeman, five. Joe Tamai won from Suehiro Yabuta, 10. Lion Furuyama drew with Yukinori Aso, 10. Bobby Melendez decisioned Mario Saurennan, 10.

Ricardo Medrano stopped Bobby Garza, 10. Peter Cobblah kayoed Miguel Hernandez, nine. Dick Topinko beat Julie Mandell, six.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Jaguar Kakizawa beat Manchai Mongkutpetch, 12. Chango Carmona halted Doug Agin, two.

Al Robinson decisioned Rugene Parker, 10. Tony LaBarber won from Willie Williams, eight.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Antonio Amaya beat Vincente Garcia, 10. Ruben Navarro won from Juan Collado, 10. Ray Echavarria decisioned Rogelio Tulongaharai, 10.

Kenji Iwata won from Flash Besandes, 10. Hayabusa decisioned Norio Endo, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Shozo Saijyo stopped Jose Pimentel, two, W.B.A. Featherweight Title.

Kuniaki Shibata halted Fernando Sotelo, nine. Eder Jofre kayoed Rudy Corona, six. Kazutoshi Nakayama stopped Sadamu Ogasawara, six. Kenjiro Nakajima halted Roberto Campbell, two.

Rocky MacDougall stopped Jackie Burke, 11, Canadian Featherweight Title. Gene Young kayoed Mike Palito, three.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Leo Calderon beat Nene Jun, 10. Koichi Okada decisioned Shigeyoshi Oki, 10. Tatsuro Uchida outpointed Tiger Lee, 10. Alberto Reyes beat Joe Valdez, 10, Valdez drew with Willie Cordova, 10.

Roberto Andrade outpointed Beto Maldonado, 10. Domi Manalang decisioned Cordobes Lopez, 10. Jose Luis Lopez beat Juan Montoya, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

Susumu Hanagata stopped Roger Moreno, four. Fernando Atozi beat Kamara Diop, 15, European Flyweight Title.

JERSEY JONES RECALLS

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tamweight Jimmy McLarnin in Oakland, Cal., created considerable confusion in the flyweight division for a while, with an assortment of Americans, Canadians, Frenchmen and Britishers getting into the hectic scramble for recognition as world champion. Among the many Yankee entries were Frankie Genaro, Corporal Izzy Schwartz, Willie LaMorte, Wee Willie Davies and Midget Wolgast. Genaro was generally accepted as champion until he was outpointed by Fidel LaBarba in Los Angeles, and LaBarba earned universal recognition when he whipped a British disputant, Elky Clark, in New York early in '27, before retiring temporarily from the ring later that year. The title was again tossed out into the open market and after a few years of disputes eventually landed in Britain, where Jackie Brown, Benny Lynch, Peter Kane, Jackie Paterson, Rinty Monaghan and Terry Allen took turns in receiving official recognition before Dado Marino of Hawaii wrecked the British "monopoly" by decisioning Allen.

There have been no notable American flyweights since then, and the once flourishing division has faded from the major boxing scene. Yankee bantamweights also have vanished from important competition. During the early '50s, the Eastern Parkway Arena in Brooklyn made an effort to revive the 118-pounders, but the effort proved fruitless.

And, so, two weight classes that produced so much history and tradition in the past no longer operate in the U.S. But they did leave much to remember them by.

EVER HAMMER, 74, DIES

One of the toughest and hardest-hitting lightweights of the World War I era was counted out when Ever Hammer, 74, died of a heart attack in Anaheim, California.

Of Scandinavian descent, Hammer, stocky in build, a savagely aggressive, two-fisted slugger, fought out of Chicago from 1912 to 1925. During his busy career, he met most of the headliners of his time, including Champion Freddie Welsh, former champion Ad Wolgast, and such other headliners as Johnny Dundee and Charley White. He was credited with giving Benny Leonard one of Benny's toughest fights on his way to the championship. Leonard eventually stopped him in the 12th round in Kansas City, but not until he needed all his speed and craftsmanship to stay out of several desperate situations.

LISTON BEST, MAC FOSTER TOP PROSPECT, SAYS ARCHIE MOORE

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Prescott. And he ruined Roger Rischer, another fighter who is well-remembered in the British Isles. There was Thad Spencer, too. Granted, Thad was way over the hill. But Foster looked like money in the bank in flattening the former contender.

I wish I had Mac Foster. I saw him in the amateurs, and it was obvious that the strapping Fresno lad had it all. I saw him win a flock of service titles, too. Mac is an ex-Marine, with plenty of danger-filled months in Vietnam behind him. Now he's got his heart and soul wrapped up in boxing.

He says that the man he most wants to fight is Clay, and he may get that wish. I think Clay will fight again. But the man who is more immediately important in Foster's schedule is Liston.

From where I sit, I think it is inevitable that Foster and Liston will pick up where they left off in the gym. The crux of the matter is timing.

If Pat DeFuria, Foster's mentor, will hold off for a spell, his kid may just grow up to be man enough to skin the old Bear. But you don't send a kid out to do a man's job. Give Mac time, and he'll be man enough for any fighter, more than enough even for Liston.

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BROADCASTER'S POETIC MUSE MOURNS HIS FRIEND ROCKY

Rocky Marciano's death has brought forth many poetic effusions. The best of these was written by Duke Savitt, WHIL, Lowell, Mass., telecaster, who was a long time friend of Rocky's.

Here it is:

TO ROCKY

In my twenty years before the mike
I've interviewed them all
From a president to a circus clown
The big ones and the small.

The old Manassa Mauler
The Menace of the ring
The great Bambino and Number 9
I've watched them do their thing.

Little Ed Arcaro
The wonder of the track
Big Jim Thorpe and Double X
I'm really going back.

Tony Zale and Eddie Shore
Winners all the way
Great champions in every sport
Made their mark, and had their day.

And as I reminisce tonight
I brush a teardrop from my eye
For up there in the great beyond
There's a new star in the sky.

A humble boy from Brockton
The greatest in the game
He was the monarch of the ring
Marciano was his name.

Rock and his side kick Allie
Went down to New York Town
He was a rugged puncher
And he won fame and renown.

He battled and won the title
And never lost a bout
He gave the fans real action
They'd holler and they'd shout.

For Rocky Marciano
Was the master in the ring
A rough tough leather pusher
Was Rock, the heavy king.

A fine athlete this Rocky
And his passing makes us sad
For Rock wasn't just a champion
He was a wondrous Dad.

So we raise our glass to Rocky
And under his picture on the wall
We write, (gentleman and champion)
The greatest of them all.

WAS MARCIANO THE GREATEST HEAVYWEIGHT?

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Then, on December 2, 1949, Rocky Marciano, Al Weill's prodigy, invaded New York and knocked out Pat Richards in two rounds.

A five round KO of Phil Muscato in Providence was followed by a near tragedy against Carmino Vingo in New York. Vingo was hurt seriously in six rounds. He spent a long time in the hospital. Marciano contributed $2,500 to help pay the bills. The Vingo fight was only a semi-final.

On March 24, 1950, Marciano's career took a big upturn. He fought a more skilled boxer named Roland La Starza, and while the Brockton Strong Boy got the verdict after ten, there was some squawking.

Marciano now found himself attracting widespread attention from the Missouri Boys, who demanded that he show them.

Show them he did from then on. He scored three straight KOs, over Eldridge Eatman, Gino Buonvino, and Johnny Shkor, and then came the second meeting with Lowry.

Four more KOs included an eight round stoppage of Keene Simmons.

On April 30, 1951, Marciano scored his most important victory to date. He knocked out Rex Layne in the Garden in New York in six rounds. Rocco was on his way.

A four round KO of Freddie Beshore was followed by his KO over Joe Louis in eight rounds.

The ancient Brown Bomber had retired in March, 1949, but had returned to the ring on September 27, 1950, in a losing effort against Ezzard Charles.

It was Joe's last fight. He had little left and standing up to Marciano for some 24 minutes was quite a feat in gameness and endurance.

Marciano deposited Louis ignominiously on the ring apron and the Louis book was closed. Marciano was moving fast and with certainty in the direction of the world championship.

On February 13, Marciano stopped Lee Savold in Philadelphia, in six rounds.

Then Weill dug up Gino Buonvino for a second shot against Rocky. Marciano had stopped Gino in ten in Boston. This time, in Providence, Buonvino lasted five minutes.

In his next appearance Marciano disposed of Bernie Reynolds in three rounds in Rhode Island.

This was followed by a fight which was more or less a hoax, a puffed up affair which demonstrated the power of ballyhoo.

Jack Hurley's blown up light heavy, Harry Matthews, was sent against Marciano in New York, and it was a wonder that the Pacific Coaster lasted out the first round. He was starched in the second.

This victory was the world title fight springboard for Rocky Marciano. He was matched with champion Jersey Joe Walcott for September 23, in Philadelphia.

In a ring career of nine years Rocky Marciano had 49 fights and 49 victories, 43 of them by knockout. Here is his record:

		1947	
Mar.	**17**	**Lee Eperson**	**KO-3**
		1948	
July	**12**	**Harry Balzerain**	**KO-1**
July	**19**	**John Edwards**	**KO-1**
Aug.	**9**	**Bobby Quinn**	**KO-3**
Aug.	**23**	**Eddie Ross**	**KO-1**
Aug.	**30**	**Jimmy Weeks**	**KO-1**
Sept.	**13**	**Jerry Jackson**	**KO-1**
Sept.	**20**	**Bill Hardeman**	**KO-1**
Sept.	**30**	**Gil Cardione**	**KO-1**
Oct.	**4**	**Bob Jefferson**	**KO-2**
Nov.	**29**	**Patrick Connolly**	**KO-1**
Dec.	**14**	**Gilley Ferron**	**KO-2**
		1949	
Mar.	**21**	**Johnny Pretzie**	**KO-5**
Mar.	**28**	**Artie Donato**	**KO-1**
Apr.	**11**	**James Walls**	**KO-3**
May	**2**	**Jimmy Evans**	**KO-3**
May	**23**	**Don Mogard**	**W-10**
July	**18**	**Harry Haft**	**KO-3**
Aug.	**16**	**Pete Luthis**	**KO-3**
Sept.	**26**	**Tommy DiGiorgio**	**KO-4**
Oct.	**10**	**Ted Lowry**	**W-10**
Nov.	**7**	**Joe Dominic**	**KO-2**
Dec.	**2**	**Pat Richards**	**KO-2**
Dec.	**19**	**Phil Muscato**	**KO-5**
Dec.	**30**	**Carmine Vingo**	**KO-6**
		1950	
Mar.	**24**	**Roland La Starza**	**W-10**
June	**5**	**Eldridge Eatman**	**KO-3**
July	**10**	**Gino Buonvino**	**KO-10**
Sept.	**18**	**Johnny Shkor**	**KO-6**
Nov.	**13**	**Ted Lowry**	**W-10**
Dec.	**18**	**Bill Wilson**	**KO-1**
		1951	
Jan.	**29**	**Keene Simmons**	**KO-8**
Mar.	**20**	**Harold Mitchell**	**KO-2**
Mar.	**26**	**Art Henri**	**KO-9**
Apr.	**30**	**Red Applegate**	**W-10**
July	**12**	**Rex Lane**	**KO-6**
Aug.	**27**	**Freddie Beshore**	**KO-4**
Oct.	**26**	**Joe Louis**	**KO-8**
		1952	
Feb.	**13**	**Lee Savold**	**KO-6**
Apr.	**21**	**Gino Buonvino**	**KO-2**
May	**12**	**Bernie Reynolds**	**KO-3**
July	**28**	**Harry Matthews**	**KO-2**
Sept.	**23**	**Joe Walcott**	**KO-13**
		1953	
May	**15**	**Joe Walcott**	**KO-1**
Sept.	**24**	**Roland La Starza**	**KO-11**
		1954	
June	**17**	**Ezzard Charles**	**W-15**
Sept.	**17**	**Ezzard Charles**	**KO-8**
		1955	
May	**16**	**Don Cockell**	**KO-9**
Sept.	**21**	**Archie Moore**	**KO-9**

BOXING QUIZ

1: Which professional fighter fought the most bouts?
Ans: Abraham Hollandersky, 1,309 fights.

2: Which heavyweight set record by fighting three main events in three different arenas on one day?
Ans: Battling Levinsky, on New Year's Day, 1915.

3: Which ex-heavyweight champion holds the record for being floored?
Ans: Floyd Patterson, 17 times in title contests.

4: How many champions have received Ring Magazine gold championship belts?
Ans: 227

5: Which champion engaged in the most title fights?
Ans: Joe Louis, ex-heavyweight champ—27.

6: Who scored the most consecutive knockouts in pro boxing?
Ans: The top three: Lamar Clark, 43; Billy Fox, 43; Henry Armstrong, 27.

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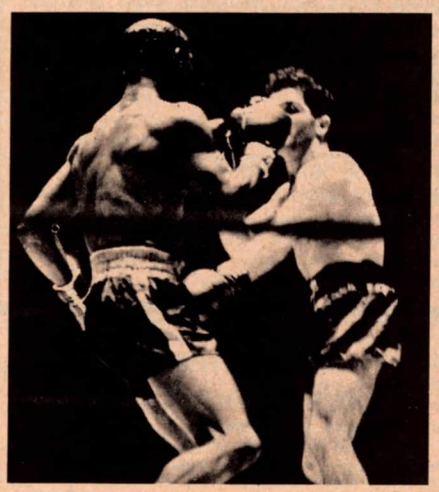

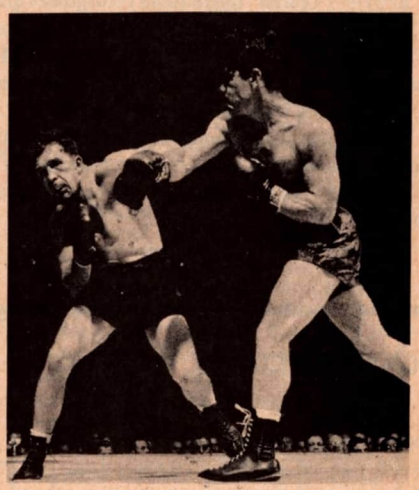

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Land and Air Crashes Tragic for Many Boxers

MODERN means of motorized travel have been a tremendous boon to the world, but they have brought grief to boxing. Automobiles have been the most prolific deliverers of grim tidings, but motorcycles and planes also have contributed to the ghastly total. The Marciano tragedy is the latest addition.

The crash in Italy which sent middleweight Sandro Mazzinghi to the hospital and killed his bride of nine days was only one episode in a long series of motor tragedies involving prominent boxers.

Here's a partial list:

1933—W. L. (Young) Stribling, contender for heavyweight and light-heavyweight titles, near Macon, Ga.

1946—Former world heavyweight champion Jack Johnson, near Raleigh, N.C.

1949—Rated welterweight Vince Foster, near Pipestone, Minn.

1952—British Empire middleweight champion Dave Sands, in Dundog, near Newscastle, Australia.

1954—Former Canadian welterweight champion Johnny Greco, near Montreal.

1956—French bantamweight champion Emile Chemama, en route from Paris to Marseilles. He had won his title the night before.

1957—Former welterweight Eddie Murdock, in Mojave, Cal.

1961—Former light heavyweight contender Irish Bob Murphy, near Boston.

1963—Former featherweight title contender Claude Varner, near Bakers-

Tragedy in the air came when French Marcel Cerdan, en route back to the United States to bid for his lost world middleweight championship, perished in a crash in the Azores in 1949.

One of the finest boxers then representing Britain, Bobby Neil, British featherweight champion, retired after a series of serious motor accidents.

And now Rocky Marciano, smashed up in a single motor Cessna in an Iowa cornfield.

ROCKY MARCIANO 1923-1969

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champion of the world—proved miracles can arise out of sacrifice, dedication, determination and courage no matter what the obstacles. However corny this may sound, it remains one of life's realities and will be so until the end of time.

In the series on "The Black Man And Boxing," currently appearing in this magazine, the communion between fighters of varying ethnic backgrounds and their deep and sincere friendships has been stressed. This was never more evident than in the recent passing of Marciano when former opponents. Louis, Archie Moore, Charles and Walcott took the lead in expressing grief and praise for the departed champion. Moore's comment was typical. "Rocky Marciano was the kind of man you were proud to call a friend," said the grieving Archie. Louis attended the funeral services in Brockton, Mass., and Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Cassius Clay and Jimmy Ellis were among the mourners in Florida.

MEXICO THREATENS SUPREMACY OF U.S.

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148th fight, induced the Mexican to call it quits.

Becerra (Covarrubias) acquired the bantamweight championship on July 8, 1959, with an eight-round KO of Alphonse Halimi in Los Angeles. He beat Halimi a second time in 1960.

On August 30, 1960, Becerra was stopped in eight heats at Juarez by Eloy Sanchez, who did not acquire the championship because it was listed as a non-title fight. Becerra announced his retirement.

Soon Eder Jofre stopped Sanchez in six rounds. Before long Jofre became established as the champion.

With the three world champions from Mexico balanced by the three from the U.S.—Cassius Clay, Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis in the wings, heavies; Bob Foster, light heavy; and Mando Ramos, lightweight—we find the other four titles spread like this — middleweight, Nino Benvenuti, Italy; junior welter, Nicolino Loche, Argentina; junior lightweight, Hiroshi Kobayashi, Japan; and featherweight, Johnny Famechon, Australia.

Don't let us forget that there was a time, in 1925, when all world titles were held by Americans.

A survey of the Mexican situation, seeking the reasons for the national rise and conditions behind it, placed financial desire at the top of the list of factors.

"The average Mexican boxer of better than ordinary skill usually still is hungry," said one of The Ring's informants.

"In the United States your professional boxer who is at all in demand can make more money from a steady source in industry, than he can count on from the ring.

"I dare say that we have more fights in one month in Mexico than you have in a year in the entire United States.

"The Mexican boy had a tough time getting into the ring. He will be found to have a reputation as a street fighter. He will be found to be aggressive and determined.

"Your Mexican referee is not inclined to stop fights as fast as the third man in the United States or England.

"Look over the results from Mexico, and how many fights will you find ended by TKO, cut eye?

"You fight in Mexico to win and you may lose. But the referee will not be scared by a little gore, and the officials don't expect to over-protect the boxers.

"Nobody wants a boxer hurt permanently. But the boys come to fight and the fans come out to see a fight.

"We are not going to displace the United States because most of our boxers are in the sub-middleweight categories.

"But let Johnny Famechon fight Vicente Saldivar, and we will have four world champions, to three for the U.S.

"Mexico's strong position will get stronger."

RICHIE SUE OUTPOINTED BY ● PEDRO GOMEZ IN CARACAS ●

By William Albert

Caracas, Venezuela—Alfredo Marcano, 126½, and Cruz Marcano, 127, fought 10 rounds to a draw. Former national featherweight champion Francisco Bolivar, 127½, outpointed Kid Pambele, 128, Colombia, in 10 rounds. Luis Beltran Nuñez, 150, and Isaac Martinez, 151½, fought 8 rounds to a draw.

▶ Pedro Gomez, Venezuelan champion, 126½, outpointed Richard Sue, 127, Portland, Ore., in 10 rounds. Sue suffered a cut eye.

Jose Brizuela, 113½, Argentina, outpointed Hector Criollo, 112, in 10 rounds.

Jose Smecca, 128¾, Argentina, outpointed Castor Castillo, 129½, in 10 rounds.

Undefeated Ramon Bravo, 117, scored a TKO over Nelson Alarcon, 115½, Argentina, in five rounds.

Luis Beltran Nuñez, 154, outpointed Haroldo Olivares, 151½, in four rounds.

▶ Undefeated Armando Mendoza, 130, scored a TKO over Martin Cuello, 131, Dominican Republic, two rounds.

Omartin Vallenilla, 120½, outpointed Orlando Silva, 125, in eight rounds.

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THE JOE LOUIS ERA

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many anticipated, took the initiative. He scurried out to Louis' home town of Detroit, convinced Louis' handlers, suave, sophisticated bankroll men, John Roxborough, a Michigan University graduate, and Julian Black, that his organization with its press connections was capable of breaking the heavyweight championship 'color line.'

Louis' debut in New York was a smash hit. He knocked out former champion Primo Carnera in thrilling fashion, then followed up by disposing of another ex-champ, Max Baer, in equally spectacular style, in the fall of 1935. Mike Jacobs soon demonstrated that he was a promoter of unusual efficiency and effectiveness.

Grumpy and inarticulate, plagued throughout his life by ill fitting dentures, he had the mechanistic mind of a computer. This, added to his rare talents of manipulation, eventually made Louis champion of the world after it appeared that Louis' defeat by Schmeling in 1936 had ruined everything for Joe.

Schmeling's victory automatically made him the No. 1 contender for the heavyweight title then held by 'Cinderella Man' James J. Braddock, who had defeated Baer as a 100-1 shot. With the Nazis in power in Germany, the prospect of a Hitler-acclaimed champion was abhorrent to many. Among these was Joe Gould, Braddock's manager, the son of a rabbi.

But Gould was no man to allow sentiment, however strong, to dull his bargaining powers. In return for sidetracking the German he drove a hard bargain. Besides demanding an excessive split of the 'gate' he exacted an agreement from Jacobs calling for a percentage of Louis' earnings to be paid to himself and Braddock for the next 10 years. The promoter gagged on this, but had no choice only to acquiesce. Over the years he made Gould's collections as difficult as possible and the manager died claiming monies still due him.

Seeing a faint chance of regaining control of the heavyweight champion, Madison Square Garden swiftly signed Schmeling to meet Braddock, with the champion already training to meet Louis in Chicago.

The Garden people went through all the motions and the expense of staging a mythical Braddock-Schmeling fight, complete with advertising, preliminaries, and a formal weigh-in of Schmeling on the announced date—hoping against hope that the the New York commission might declare the German the heavyweight champion by default. This turned out to be the original impossible dream.

Louis became the second Negro to win the world heavyweight championship, by knocking out Braddock in Chicago in 1937, causing cataclysmic celebrations in Black communities everywhere. Not all this exuberance was good clean fun, much of it was tainted with hooliganism, but Louis' winning the championship did have a therapeutic effect upon the spirits of the colored population sickened by the Depression and generations of gross deprivation and racial oppression.

The general public's reaction to Louis was a far cry from the reflex hostility which Johnson encountered. One of the reasons for this was that mass intelligence had progressed for enough to fend off the kind of racial propaganda which had turned the streets of cities into racial battlegrounds in 1910. The other reason was Louis himself.

Instead of the gloating, grinning gold-toothed Johnson-image which the public had found so exasperating, Louis, his towel-wrapped head lowered, after humbly mumbling into a ringside microphone, left the ring in a manner more like a man going to the gallows than one making a triumphal exit. This was a vivid demonstration that—racial agitators to the contrary—not all Negroes were alike.

Adding to the popular acceptance of Louis there was also the reassurance that the interracial romantic interludes characteristic of Johnson which had caused a national psychosis were not to be expected from Louis, who had crossed no racial lines in taking Negro Marva Trotter to wife two years before. This departure from what bigots claimed was the norm for Negro successes proved a powerful plus for Louis, particularly in the South.

With Louis now champion, Old Mike Jacobs, who had first made his presence felt as the shadowy secret backer of Tex Rickard years before, moved methodically and effectively to consolidate his position. He turned out to be a dubious 'angel,' as his newspaper partners faded one by one from the picture. Roxborough and Black remained the nominal managers of Louis with razor scarred, master boxing teacher Jack Blackburn as trainer, but Mike gradually took on the actual direction of Joe Louis himself.

Under his exclusive promotion, Mike managed Louis masterfully, making few mistakes in directing and protecting the affairs of the champion. With Louis as his trump card added to his own Machiavellian technique, Mike Jacobs reigned as the virtual dictator of boxing from 1937 until he was incapacitated by illness in 1948.

Joe Louis held the heavyweight championship longer than anyone else, 11 years, and defended it successfully more times than anyone else, 25. Of these defenses the most dramatic was his return match one-round knockout of the man who had defeated him, Max Schmeling, in 1938.

The unfairness of the campaign to impute Nazi contamination to Schmeling has become obvious in the intervening years. There have been few more sincere friendships and genuine liking between one time ring foes than that between Louis and Schmeling.

Prior to World War II, respect rather than adulation had been the public attitude towards Louis. His actions and statements during the great war changed this feeling to one of idolatry. He made himself a living legend when at a Madison Sq. Garden rally in 1942, in uniform, he pronounced the words which became a rallying cry of World War II. "We'll win because we're on God's Side." In a subsequent reply to those critical of the nation's treatment of the Negro, Joe came up with the crushing, "There's nothing wrong with this country that Hitler would fix."

From that point on, Louis became an American folk hero who could do no wrong.

The war over, Joe was hailed on all sides by an adoring public who felt that he would have willingly accepted front line action had it been called for. Following the victorious conclusion of the war in which thousands of Black servicemen had participated, a movement accelerated against the exclusion of Negroes in sports and in other areas of American life.

The most obdurate and traditional of these barriers, the 'Color Line' in baseball, had been breached early in 1946 with the signing of Jackie Robinson, by the General Manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, Branch Rickey.

Powerful opposition to Rickey's move among players, owners and press seethed ominously below the surface of a pseudo-compliance. A major factor in keeping this antagonism sub-rosa was the great popularity of Joe Louis with the American people. Rickey admitted he had taken this into consideration in signing Robinson. Jackie himself was well aware of the liberating influence of Louis' career. At a dinner honoring him in Chicago in 1948 he said, ". . . There is one person I must give real and definite credit for my opportunity. His name is Joe Louis."

Louis himself had undergone personality changes since his early days. Inclined towards sullen withdrawal as a youth, he came back from service with a new joviality which, while always reserved, gained him a reputation as the funnyman of the heavyweight champions.

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THE JOE LOUIS ERA

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His dry wit has enhanced his already favorable public image.

He had his share of virtues but thrift and money management are not among them. Consequently he has been beset by tax troubles running into hundreds of thousands of dollars, but this has resulted in no impairment of his popularity. The public deduction is that his derelictions here are largely due to his own naivete in money matters and the irresponsibility of his advisers.

Intransigence—which had considerable to do with his first defeat by Schmeling—is also prominent among Joe's human failings. Rejecting all advice to stay retired and undefeated (Gene Tunney was among those who implored him to do so), Joe returned to the ring even though he received an unprecedented sum of $150,000 plus a yearly stipend of $15,000 from James D. Norris when he first called it quits in 1949.

Even after being soundly beaten by Ezzard Charles he stubbornly resisted the entreaties of well wishers not to go on but persisted in fighting until he was literally blasted out of the ring by the late Rocky Marciano, who seemed genuinely saddened that he had been forced to do so.

Any suspicion that Louis's hold on the people might be waning vanished following his recent hospitalization in New York. During his short confinement the hospital was inundated with calls and wires from all over the world. In still another divergence from the Johnson experience Louis is today more popular among white than among black Americans. Many young blacks to whom the harsh, oppressive, period in which Louis had to make his way is as remote as the Iron Age, see the old Brown Bomber as an anachronistic relic of the past, irrelevant to the mood and militancy of the present.

Not having been around in Joe's day they are unable to make comparisons between Negro opportunities then and now. These are many times greater and the example and career of Joe Louis played a notable part in this advancement.

For all his greatness and social impact, Louis must give way to a little man when the greatest boxing accomplishment of the Louis era is singled out. This honor belongs to Henry Armstrong, who during the Thirties was the featherweight, lightweight and welterweight champion, simultaneously.

Armstrong, a public hero in the Gans and Dixon tradition, was a remarkable performer. His style of boxing was unceasingly aggressive, a sharp departure from the stand-up classic moves of the majority of Negro boxers.

Well spoken and educated, a high school graduate, his career complemented Louis' influence on public thinking very well and he is still widely admired and respected.

Famed for the power and precision of his punching in the ring, the blows of Joe Louis were equally damaging to the bias and bigotry that infected the social conditions of his time.

OLD BROADWAY

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Kettrick, was handled by Charley Weinert and remembers when for six months he managed Armando Santiago, of New York. Snyder is in the jewelry business.

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Jeff Mark, of Merrick, L.I., 20 year old heavyweight, who was in the Navy, managed by Dr. Marvin Goldberg and John O'Rourke, comes from a well known boxing family. He's the fellow Randy Neuman, of Cliffside Park, N.J., stopped in the first round on a recent Garden heavyweight card staged August 18. Here's the report on Marx. His grandfather was of the prohibition team of Moe Smith and Izzy Einstein, and nephew of brothers Rudy and George Smith, who were also in boxing. Jeff's mother, Estelle, was the daughter of the late Moe Smith. Marx was high school fullback and discus thrower.

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September spelled tragedy. Lou Stillman, Rocky Marciano, stage man, Dan Healy, "Night Mayor of New York," and Phil Rosen, who was 81 in August, all died. Phil was a promoter and manager and always tried to help out boxing veterans down on their luck.

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My 83rd birthday was most gratifying. I got a plaque, the first ever given in memory of the late Bobby Crews, brother of Johnny, Republican leader of Brooklyn, who was his twin brother. It was called the Bobby Crews Memorial Sportsmanship award and was presented to me at the 2nd Annual Outdoor boxing show held by Saint Bernadette in Brooklyn. M.C. Paul Berlenbach's #21 was on hand, including the standard bearer, Lou Salica, former bantam champion, Charley Varre and Paul Doyle.

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Dr. Marvin Goldberg, John O'Rourke, trainer Jack Stanton, and Jeff Marx, hope for good results from their stable—Bob Stallings, Freeport heavyweight, Dave Russell, also a heavy, Elliot Miller, former Golden Glove middleweight champion and lightweight Larry O'Rourke, Oceanside, L.I.

Phil Schlossberg Dies

Another former prominent figure in boxing, Phil Schlossberg, was counted out at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Boston. His age was 84.

Schlossberg is best remembered as the manager of ill-fated Ernie Schaaf, who was fatally injured when knocked out by Primo Carnera in Madison Square Garden early in 1933.

"Steamboat Phil," as he was dubbed, had been a prominent boxer himself before turning to training, managing and promoting. Although never much more than a middleweight, he was talented enough to become heavyweight champion of the U.S. Navy and the National A.A.U. He also fared well in professional competition, one of his better performances being to trounce rugged Bill McKinnon in a 12-rounder in Boston.

Schlossberg, enlisting in 1901, served 20 years in the Navy, later transferring to the Fleet Naval Reserve Force. During his hitches he won just about every title for which he competed, not only against fellow-Americans but against foreign rivals.

It was in 1925 that Phil "discovered" Schaaf, another Navy product, and concentrated on developing him into an outstanding heavyweight.

Schlossberg also handled several other fighters in that era, but lost interest in boxing following Schaaf's tragic meeting with Carnera. But he did become a member of Veteran Boxers Association, Ring 4 of Boston.

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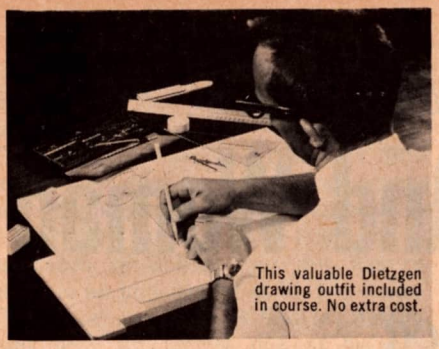

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ROMANO TWICE DEFEATS ROY WILLIAMS IN 3 WEEKS

By Don Hamill

Portland, Me.—Twice during the past month Al Romano, New England welterweight champion from North Adams, Mass., scored decisions over Roy (Buttercup) Williams, Allentown, Pa., in bouts that thrilled his hometown fans. Romano had taken a decision over Williams here.

▶ **North Adams, Mass**—Despite intermittent rain a large turnout saw Romano, 148, come off the floor in the first round to gain a unanimous 10 round decision over Williams, 148. Romano shook off the effects of the knockdown to have Williams hurt before the round was over. Williams hit the deck in the sixth and eighth rounds and, although soundly whipped, was always dangerous.

Eddie Spence, 168, Pittsfield, stopped an ill-conditioned Jimmy Ramos, 169, North Easton, in the sixth. Ramos was dropped in the second round. In the sixth, when he caught three consecutive rights to the jaw, Ramos put up his hands and walked to his corner.

Terry Rondeau, 125, Pittsfield, earned a hard-fought 10 round decision over Tony Cruz, 129, Jersey City, N.J. Cruz took the first half of the bout with clever counterpunching but slowed in the second half, with Rondeau finding the range.

Walter (Bobo) Moore, 156, Roxbury, had a battle on his hands in taking a four round decision from Pablo Rodriguez, 147, Holyoke.

▶**North Adams** — Three weeks later, Romano, 147, repeated his win over Williams, 141, but was held to a split vote. The bout lacked the fire works of the previous contest. Romano got off to an early lead and then tired while Williams finished the stronger. One of the judges cast his ballot as a draw, giving only one round to each fighter.

Terry Rondeau, 120, Pittsfield, appeared much larger than Norman Sanchez, 116, Quebec, Can. Sanchez proved to be a nifty little fighter but couldn't match the punching power of Rondeau, who scored four knockdowns in the second round before the bout was stopped.

Eddie Spence, 176, Pittsfield, took a thumping from Jesse Crown, 201, Portland, for most of the first round. At the bell a left hook dumped Crown. The latter was unable to defend himself for the second round and was felled by another left hook. Referee Bill Mickels called a halt. In the four round opener, Jack Kelsey, 154, Cohoes, N.Y., battled to a draw with Curtis McClendon, 149, Portland.

▶ **Portland, Me.**—Spotting Eddie Spence, 168, Pittsfield, 10 pounds, a five inch height and reach advantage, and experience, Walter (Bobo) Moore, 158, Roxbury, copped a unanimous ten round decision. Moore was the aggressor and kept the action in close, where Spence was at a disadvantage, except for the ninth round when Spence tagged him with a pair of hooks.

Skip Yeaton, 158, Belfast, stopped veteran Al Bashir, 152, Montreal, in the fourth of the eight round semi-final. Bashir was cut near his eye and dropped by a left hook. Then the bout was stopped. Pleze Williams, 160, Philadelphia, was awarded a unanimous six round decision over veteran Gene Roberts, 153, Portland, in a dreary bout. Jimmy Jaynes, 132, Lowell, brother of Beau Jaynes, made his pro debut a winning one by halting Walter Lee Turner, 136, Worcester, in the second round.

Kid Valiant, 122, Lowell, stopped Don Butler, 124, Worcester, in the second round.

▶**Portland**—The winning streak of Jesse Crown, 207, Portland, came to a halt. He was floored five times in being stopped by Bob Mashburn, 206, New York, in the fourth round. Mashburn scored a knockdown in the first round, and two knockdowns each in the third and fourth rounds.

Larry Butler, 143, Portland, outboxed Sammy Molinas, 142, Worcester, in eight rounds to take a unanimous decision. Ken Campbell, 129, Providence, stopped Marcelino Trinidad, 138, Worcester, in the second round of a scheduled eight.

Kenny Williams, 155, Providence, stopped Walter (Bobo) Moore, 158, Roxbury, in two heats. Skip Yeaton, 155, Belfast, scored a first round TKO over Pleze Williams, 156, Philadelphia.

▶ **Portland**—Irish Jimmy McDermott, 170, Holyoke, gory from a scalp laceration from a butt in the second round, unleashed a savage attack in round three to stop Nat Edwards, 175, New York. Short right hands to the chin did it.

A solid left hook to the chin thrown by Al Kivlin, 164, Cambridge, knocked out Dave Jenkins, 170, Hempstead, N.Y., in 49 seconds of the first round. Steve Shevlin, 150, Hempstead, scored a one round knockout over Willie Jackson, 150, Brooklyn, with a body blow. Jack Clements, 147, Quebec, landed an early knockdown over Gene Roberts, 152, Portland, and took a unanimous decision after six sessions.

Jimmy Jaynes, 134, Lowell, showed promise in taking a unanimous four round decision over southpaw Ernie Dew, 131, Worcester.

▶ **Portland**—Kenny Campbell, 129½, Providence, continues to be worth watching. He stopped veteran Jean Leroux, 125, Quebec, in three rounds. Leroux started fast and got in some good body punches but had trouble getting away from Kenny's left hook. In the third round Campbell came out of his corner ablaze. He fired piston-like rights to the jaw to drop Leroux. A right uppercut spilled him again, and he was settled for the night with a pair of left hooks.

Bobby Hughes, 144, New York, was awarded a close, eight round split over Larry Butler, 143, Portland, to hand the local boy his first defeat. Butler had scored the only knockdown in the third round with a right to the jaw.

Luc Pivan, 160, Granby, in the fourth round.

Kenny Williams, 157½, Providence, stopped Luc Pivan, 160, Granby, in the fourth round.

Skip Yeaton, 162, Belfast, earned a hard fought unanimous decision over Pleze Williams, 161, Philadelphia, in eight rounds. Jesse Crown, 203, Portland, gained a six round decision over Bill Hardiman, 177, New York.

DROVER STOPS HOGAN IN FIRST FOR MARITIME TITLE

By Fred Bishop

Dartmouth, N.S.—The bubble burst for Kevin Hogan as he was knocked out by Billy Drover, Labrador City, Nfld. in just one minute and sixteen seconds of the first round of a scheduled 10. The boys were fighting for the vacant Maritime heavyweight title. Each weighed 202.

They came out fast. Hogan, in great shape, landed two fast jabs. Drover came back with a left to the nose then drove a right that missed. Off balance, Drover was caught with a left hook that dropped him for eight.

Hogan rushed in for the kill as pandemonium erupted in the overflow house of 4,500. Hogan missed with a left and follow-up right. Drover stepped in with a left hook to the head, a left jab to the head, then tagged him with a right cross to the chin, Hogan dropped to his knees and as referee Jack Delaney reached seven, Hogan tried to rise only to fall back on his knees. He was counted out.

In the six round semi-final, Ernie Bigney, 135, New Glasgow, upset more experienced Jo Jo Jackson, 134, New Glasgow. Bigney came off the floor four times in the first two rounds. He rallied in the last four to win a unanimous decision.

In a six, Gary McNeil, 135, New Glasgow, upset local comer Vic Doucette, 144, Dartmouth, in the best fight of the card.

In a four, Levi Brown, 164, Preston, N.S. and Lloyd Williams 164, Hammonds Plains, N.S. slugged their way to a draw.

▶ **Halifax** — Canadian middleweight champion, Dave Downey, 163, Halifax, and Don Turner, 163, Cincinnati, boxed 10 rounds to a draw. Downey never did get started. Turner kept a stiff left jab in Downey's face, crossed with rights when needed and looked like a sure winner until the votes were counted. Judge Alex Nickerson voted Turner 4-3-3 while judge Don Kerr scored 4-4-2 a draw and referee Percy Paris went with Downey 5-4-1. Turner was the real winner.

In the six round semi-final, Lonnie States, 145, Windsor, N.S., held off hard hitting Vic Doucette, 148, Dartmouth, to take the unanimous decision.

In another six, Doug States, 147, Windsor, wasted little time in stopping inexperienced Willis Jackson, 144, New Glasgow. Jackson came out fast, caught three hard left jabs, hit the deck and was counted out just 44 seconds after the opening bell.

In the opening four rounder, Dick Julien, 146, Dartmouth, making his pro debut, outroughed Kid Bordon, 148, New Glasgow, through three rounds and 2:01 of the fourth, referee Jack Delaney called a disqualification on Bordon for wrestling.

▶ Undercard of the Lawrence Hafey-Ferdand Durelle match featured three four rounders:

Kid Sponagle, 133, New Glasgow, stopped Willis Jackson, 135, New Glasgow, at 2:10 of the first.

Wayne Fraser, 114, Pictou, met Billy Landry, 110, Trenton, both newcomers to the pro game. Fraser won.

In the opener, Jimmy 'Kid' MacNeil, 95, New Glasgow, and Randy MacLean, 96, New Glasgow, fought a draw.

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Osuna Stops Lara In Three, Doyle Goes Ten with Ramos

By DON FRASER

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Undefeated Jose Osuna, Dominican Republic, outclassed Polo Lara, Mexico City, in the scheduled 10-round main event at the Olympic Auditorium. After taking the first two rounds, Osuna nailed his stocky rival with a booming left hook to drop him midway in the third.

Osuna kept after Lara with a steady stream of left jabs that soon forced referee Larry Rozadilla to save the Mexican from further punishment.

The time was 2:12 of the third. Osuna weighed 119, Lara, 120.

Pete Vital, 134, El Monte, decisioned Sammy Alvarez, 134, Los Angeles, (6); Ronnie Ceniceros, 127, East Los Angeles, KO over Martin Alvarez, 128½, Roswell, N.M., (4); Leonard Casterina, 137, Los Angeles, outpointed Speedy White, 132, Long Beach, (4).

▶**Los Angeles**—Employing a bruising left hook and a strong body attack, Mexican heavyweight champion Manuel Ramos, 212, took a unanimous 10 round decision over Tony Doyle, 210, Salt Lake City, at Olympic.

Ramos, making his first start in several months, was rusty in spots, but still controlled the fight. Manuel's best weapon was a left hook he started in the gallery and drove into Doyle's midsection.

Neither man came close to scoring a knockdown, though Doyle was staggered several times in the late rounds. Tony suffered a cut left eye in the eighth.

Referee John Thomas and judge Rudy Jordan voted 5-4, while the other judge, Abe Cohen, had it 6-3.

Irish Larry Harding, 140, Downey, continued in the unbeaten class by storming all over Cosby Fullbright, 140, Phoenix. Fullbright was down three times before the bout was stopped in the eighth. This was Irish Larry's eleventh straight, and 10th knockout.

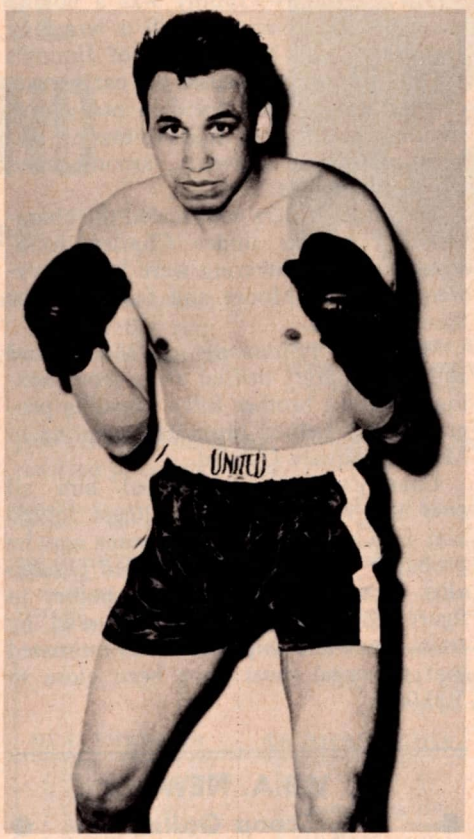
Rudy Escobedo, 155, Los Angeles, decisioned Lee Williams, 157, Long Beach, four; Sammy Alvarez, 138, Los Angeles, outpointed Tommy Coulson, 135, Los Angeles, four.

▶**Woodland Hills**—Denny Moyer, 161, Portland, a veteran of 85 bouts, spoiled the main event show of Henry Walker, 160½, Hollywood, at the Valley Music Theatre. Moyer caught Walker with a solid right hand to the head, then finished the job with a flurry of punches at 2:18 of the ninth round.

Walker also suffered a severe cut over his left eye during the exchange that sent him to the floor for the full count. His handlers charged that Moyer's elbow did the damage.

Mike Quarry, heavyweight Jerry's younger brother, collected his 10th straight. Mike was too strong for Kenny Watkins, Jr., 167, Los Angeles, in the six round semifinal. Mike, from Anaheim, weighed 172.

Jose Luis Lopez, 118, Mexico City, decisioned Juan Montoya, 123, Tijuana, 10; Bob Hazleton, 192, Van Nuys, outpointed Dick Hamlett, 209, San Bernardino, four; Jesus Nieves, 118, San Fernando, outscored Antonio Villanueva, 118, Los Angeles, four.



MANUEL RAMOS

▶**San Carlos**—Roberto Amaya, 148, Buenos Aires, nailed Chino Arias, 146, Mexico, with a straight right hand to register a third round knockout at the Circle Star Theatre. This gave Amaya 24 wins out of 25, 21 by knockouts.

In a companion 10-rounder, Ray Echavarria, 126½, San Jose, won via a split decision over Marcello Cid, 149, Mexico City.

▶**Los Angeles**—Making his first appearance before the home folks in 10 months, Ruben Navarro, 133, East Los Angeles, rallied to gain a split 10 round decision over Juan Collado, 133, Dominican Republic, at Olympic.

Navarro, high ranked among the junior lightweights by Ring, was down for a brief count in the first round. He returned the favor in the fourth.

Referee Lee Grossman and judge Rudy Jordan scored it 6-5 and 5-4 for Navarro; Judge Thomas favored Collado, 6-5.

Oscar Mesza, 148½, Mexico, KO over Nate Robinson, 147½, San Diego, three; Leonard Castorena, 136, Los Angeles, decisioned Jimmy Ligons, 135, San Diego, six; Ronnie Ceniceros, 125, East Los Angeles, stopped Fermin Villarreal, 126, Mexico, three.

▶**Woodland Hills**—Ray (Windmill) White, 180½, Ventura, may not be the most gifted heavyweight, but he is one of the most colorful in the ring today.

White, who stands 6-4, a carpenter by trade, called upon his unique assortment of punches—the double uppercut, rooster punch, behind the back wallop and the jump punch, to entertain the crowd at the Valley Music Theatre.

The contest terminated after 2:16 of the eighth round with White's opponent, Rocky Martin, 182, North Hollywood, outclassed. This was Ray's seventh straight win and upped his record to 19-7.

Tommy Coulson, 150, East Los Angeles, stopped Daniel Flores, 148, Los Angeles, three; Florentino Ramirez, 116½, Ventura, decisioned Jesus Nieves, 117, Puerto Rico, four; Bob Hazelton, 188, Van Nuys, decisioned Jack O'Reilly, 214, Denver, four; Alejando Herrera, 150½, Los Angeles, outpointed Maurice Hart, 147, Los Angeles, four.

▶**Los Angeles**—Rodolfo Gonzalez, 135, Long Beach, scored his 20th straight victory at Olympic, posting a fifth round knockout over Steve Freeman, 135½, Galveston.

Gonzalez dumped the Viet Nam veteran twice in the fifth with left hooks. The Latin had Freeman ready to go down a third time when referee John Thomas stopped it at the 2:20 mark.

Rudolfo now has 42 wins against four setbacks.

Rudy Escobedo, 156, Los Angeles, KO over Keith Lafenberg, 157½, Washington, D.C., four; Joe Espinosa, 141, Los Angeles, decisioned Walter Charles, 139, Oakland, four; Jimmy Ligon, 137½, Long Beach, decisioned Sammy Alvarez, 139, Los Angeles, four.

▶**San Jose**—Kid Rayo, 148, Stockton, ruined the USA debut of Japanese Ryu Sorimachi, 147½, Tokyo, in the 10 round feature at Civic Auditorium. Rayo won a clear cut decision.

Roger Boy Pedrano, 127½, Manila, P.I., got a 10 round verdict over Marcelo Cid, 129½, Mexico City; Dave Garza, 134, San Jose, decisioned Lino Covarrubias, 136½, Mexico, six; Gil Haney, 197, San Jose, KO over Billy Gordon, 183, Oakland, one.

▶**San Francisco**—Lonnie Harris, a 5-1 shortender, came through with a major upset over George Cooper, 160, Oakland, at Winterland.

With the 12 round decision went Cooper's State middleweight championship. Harris, a promising youngster fro mLos Langeles, used his speed to escape the heavy artillery of Cooper.

Al Robinson, 136, a member of the 1968 Olympic team, made his 10 round bow a successful one by nodding Rugene Parker, 137, Portland, in the co feature.

Bobby Diamond, 119, Oakland, knocked out Irish Mike Flynn, 122, Dublin, in the first round.

▶**San Jose**—Roger Boy Pedrano, 126½, Manila, P.I., shifted into high gear early against Eliseo Estrada, 130, Leon, Mexico, and walked off with the 10 round decision at Civic Auditorium.

In a second main event, Raul Soriano, 148¾, Mexicali, Mex., stopped Japan's Ryu Sorimachi, 148½, in the sixth round.

Benny Garza, 141, San Jose, decisioned Bill Thompson, 140, San Francisco, six.

▶**San Carlos**—Comebacking Ray Echavarria, 128, San Jose, had his hands full in outscoring Rogelio Tulonghari, 128, Manila, P.I., in the 10 round main go at the Circle Star Theatre.

L. C. Blueford, 174, Oakland, flattened Arturo Santamaria, 172, San Jose, in the first round of a scheduled eight. Geary Newmayer, 118, Oakland, drew with Bob Magan, 119, San Francisco, six.

▶**Fresno**—Local idol Mac Foster faced the best name yet in Cleveland Williams and encountered no trouble in disposing of the once feared Big Cat in five rounds.

Foster, 216½, undefeated and a former All Service champion while in the Marine Corps, punished Williams in every round before finish-

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Charley Johnston, Last of 4 Brothers, Is Dead

With the passing of Charley Johnston, 74, one of the most successful brother combinations boxing and wrestling have produced, vanishes from the major sports scene.

Charley was the "baby" of the clan, which originated in Liverpool, England, but became established in New York City. The elder members of the family —Jimmy, Bill and Ned—had long since departed this world.

The Johnstons—Jimmy was a boxing manager and promoter; Bill a wrestling impresario, and Ned, trainer of Jimmy's fighters—functioned since the early years of the century, and handled many outstanding performers in glove-tossing and grunt-and-groan activities, among them world champions.

Two title-holders who scaled the championship heights under Charley Johnston's able maneuvering were lightheavyweight Archie Moore and featherweight Sandy Saddler.

With the retirements of Moore and Saddler, Charley drifted away from boxing to inherit brother Bill's wrestling programs, and helped promote grappling in Madison Square Garden.

Charley's activities carried him all over the world and until illness forced him into retirement a few years ago he probably was the most travelled personality in sports. He never did bother to figure how many miles he covered by train, plane and ship, but it was estimated that the total must have been close to 500,000.

V.B.A. NEWS
By Scoop Gallello
NATIONAL V.B.A. PRESIDENT

Jimmy Boedecker . . . VBA Ring #26, is in Ellis Hospital, Schenectady, N.Y.

Bruce Flowers who faced Jackie Kid Berg, Billy Petrolle and Stan Loayza, is in New Rochelle Hospital, room 445. Bruce and Al Sparks are scheduled to be the first to enter the newly formulated Boxers Hall of Fame for Westchester County, instituted by VBA Ring #30.

V.B.A. Ring #54, Auburn, N.Y., held its annual banquet at the UNC Club. President Paul Travers did not attend, being in Mercy Hospital after suffering a stroke.

Don Dero, prexy of VBA Ring #43, Utica, N.Y. is out of the hospital and recuperating at home after a bad fall in which he broke his hip. Don says he will make the National VBA Convention in Asbury Park, N.J.

The Antonacci Brothers, VBA Ring #56, Syracuse, N.Y., who are promoting shows in that area, are reaching for former champion Dick Tiger. Hal Carroll is being considered as a possible opponent.

Tommy Marra, former welterweight out of Elmsford, N.Y., is out of the hospital, recuperating at home.

Irv Silverman—National VBA Secretary and President of VBA Ring #8, New York, has just returned from vacationing in Florida with his pal, former flyweight champion Corporal Izzy Schwartz.

Adrian Bailey, prexy of VBA Ring #34, Lakewood, N.J., Treasurer of the National VBA, was the man behind a successful boxing show recently at Convention Hall in Asbury Park, N.J.

Al Westley, former president of VBA Ring #36, Arizona, is residing in Ozona, Florida.

Mickey Esposito, secretary of VBA Ring #14, second Vice President of the National VBA, is probably one of the most decorated World War II heroes.

Willie La Morte, former flyweight star, president of VBA Ring #25, first V.P. of National VBA, has returned from a vacation at the Jersey seashore.

Danny Sabia, prexy of VBA Ring #30, recently gave one of the most fabulous parties for his only daughter, Paula, when she married John Madey. The reception took place at the new White Plains Hotel in White Plains, N.Y., with 300 in attendance.

MICHIGAN RING TALK
By Elliott H. Harvith

Detroit, Mich.—Ted "Farmer" Wright, once rated one of the top middleweights, has retired because of an eye injury. Wright, who started his career in 1954, finished with a 48-13-10 record. He faced Luis Rodriguez, Nino Benvenuti, Emile Griffith, Yama Bahama, Denny Moyer, Don Fullmer, and Doyle Baird.

At Akron, Flint heavyweight Joe Byrd KO'ed Billy Wagner, in the second round, handing the Cleveland lad his first defeat in 15 fights. Byrd, now 5-5, tipped the beam at 195 while Wagner weighed 174. Henry Hank, 178, Detroit took the duke in 10 over Terry Lee, at Oakland, Cal.; Frankie Steele, 148, Flint, dropped a close eight round decision to Roland Pryor, 149, Washington, D.C., in the Capital.

Ted Ewald has signed up Detroit light heavy Larry Charleston to a 5 year contract. Charleston has had only two fights in 2 years. Arnie Brower, Jewish heavyweight fighting out of Detroit, has a 19-3-2 record with 10 KO's.

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Flash Riser, light heavy champion of Michigan from 1931 to 1933, works at Ford . . . Johnny Summerlin, heavy champion of Michigan in 1954, is a bouncer in a night club and also a ring judge . . . Mickey Miske, light heavy champion of Michigan in 1937, owns a night club in Dearborn . . . George Burnett, middleweight champion of Michigan from 1938-40, is a security guard for a Hospital in Detroit . . . Marty Simmons, middleweight champion of Michigan in 1933, trains amateur fighters in Saginaw . . . Duke Harris, state welter champ in 1955, is in the electronics business . . . Eddie Koppy, lightweight champion of Michigan in 1933, owns a butcher shop . . . Billy Moore, state Middleweight champ in 1930, referees amateur fights in Flint.

WESTERN MICHIGAN NOTES
By Leonard LaBarre

Flint, Mich.—Joe Byrd scored his second upset in a row, and has become a favorite in the Akron-Lima Area. Joe stopped the previously undefeated Irish Billy Wagner (Kelly) in round two in a bout held in the Akron Armory. Prior to this victory, Byrd beat Jack Rodgers in Lima.

Rumors that Buster Mathis will return to action persist. Doug McLeod has come back with good efforts, including a kayo over Duane Horsman. Doug's brother Johnny fought a crowd-pleaser in Indianapolis, but came out on the losing end against Marion Thomas in a six. John Mason, local light heavyweight, fought on the same card, and was stopped in four by Roy Dale. Wes Ramey has opened a new gym. His son is his assistant.

Frankie Steele is fighting out of Akron, moving there after his twelve round state title loss to Ronnie Harris. Leonard Hutchins moved to Philadelphia, after his success as National Golden Gloves and A.A.U. champion.

Battling Bob Smith is unable to get his managerial troubles straightened out. Promoters would like to match Smith against Teddy Goulec. Dean Oswald, Bay City's hardpunching heavyweight prospect, talked of getting himself back in shape. Giant Rufus McKinney keeps the fans buzzing with his colorful style. Taylor Smith's Johnny Cool will be a welcome addition to Michigan boxing when he returns from the service.

THE BRITISH ISLES

COOPER'S MATCH WITH ELLIS APPEARS GONE WITH THE WIND

By JOHNNY SHARPE

Henry Cooper has his injured right knee inspected by his manager, Jim Wicks. When 'Ennery's postponed contest with Jimmy Ellis will take place is a moot question.

LONDON, England—The big boxing news here concerns something to be labeled "No news." Thus is the ring game in Britain entering the Fall-Winter season with a negation.

It has to do with the postponed or canceled—in any event, delayed—match between Jimmy Ellis and Henry Cooper, Empire heavyweight champion.

Will this fight ever take place? Nobody knows. It had to be called off when a surgeon representing the British Boxing Board of Control laid Cooper off with an injured cartilage in his right knee.

"First Cooper will take a long rest, and then we will see if the knee requires surgery," the doctor announced.

If the knee has to be operated on, will Henry's retirement be far behind?

Certainly Madison Square Garden cannot wait for Henry's knee to mend before sending Joe Frazier and Ellis into its ring for the biggest heavyweight fight since Cassus Clay refused to join the U.S. Army.

It's a tough break for Henry. But that's boxing.

Those retirements which turn out not to be retirements, after all, are very confusing. It seems that Vic Andreetti, junior welter champion of the Empire, has not left competition. The British board has passed him as fit and glad we are that boxing has not lost a standout boxer.

Since my report about Ken Buchanan, the brilliant Scottish lightweight announcing that he will retire if the British Boxing Board stewards will NOT cancel his contract with manager Eddie Thomas, things are unsettled.

The Board, after four hours' deliberation, came to the decision that Buchanan should come to terms with his manager.

The matter does not end there for I am given to understand that this matter will be resolved in courts of law.

▶**Hull**—Roger Tighe, Hull, 194¾, defeated Bunny Johnson, Jamaica, 186¾, on points in 10.

Tighe forced Johnson around the ring but could not repeat the KO that the Hull boxer had over Johnson.

Tony Bagshaw, Hull, 154, making his debut, stopped Terry Mann, Manchester, 161½. He forced the referee to intervene.

Another former amateur making his debut was Dave Moore, Grimsby, 149, who stopped Al Cook, Lincoln, 146½, and looked good in doing so.

Yet another former amateur, Arthur Hopkins, Hull, 6 ft. 3 in., scaling 266, who must be the heaviest boxer in Britain, took a points decision over Don Halden, Wolverhampton, 182, in six.

Bryn Lewis, Porthcawl, 137½, Welsh lightweight champion, stopped Ronnie Clifford, Pudsey, 141½, in the sixth.

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BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(AS OF OCTOBER 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Jack Bodell (E)
4. Carl Gizzi (W)
5. Brian London (E)
6. Bob Cleroux (C)
7. Roy Enifer (E)
8. Roger Tighe (E)
9. Joe Bugner (E)
10. Rocky Campbell (Gu)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Dick Tiger (Bi)
2. Bob Dunlop (A)
3. Eddie Avoth (W)
4. Leweni Waqa (Fi)
5. Young McCormack (E)
6. Milo Calhoun (J)
7. Ray Brittle (E)
8. Dickie Owens (E)
9. Guinea Roger (N)
10. Lloyd Walford (J)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Les McAteer (E)
2. Gomeo Brennan (B)
3. Mark Rowe (E)
4. Bunny Sterling (J)
5. Harry Scott (E)
6. Dick Blair (A)
7. Fred Taupola (NZ)
8. Inia Cataroga (Fi)
9. Matt Donovan (Tr)
10. Dave Downey (C)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Ralph Charles (E)
2. Lennox Beckles (Gu)
3. Joey Durelle (C)
4. Chuck Henderson (E)
5. Obletty Commey (G)
6. Peter Cobblah (G)
7. Castors Abbey (G)
8. Johnny Cooke (E)
9. Teddy Meho (G)
10. Gus Farrell (I)

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Maurice Cullen (E)
2. Vic Andreetti (E)
3. Des Rea (I)
4. Don McMillan (S)
5. Bobby Arthur (E)
6. Peter Quinn (E)
7. Colin Fraser (C)
8. Jackie Turpin (E)
9. Al Breau (C)
10. Billy Seseman (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Percy Hayles (J)
2. Bunny Grant (J)
3. Ray Adigun (N)
4. Brian Hudson (E)
5. Joe Tetteh (G)
6. Al Ford (C)
7. Jake Gulino (A)
8. Jim McCormack (I)
9. Arthur Bradley (A)
10. Bryn Lewis (W)

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Jimmy Anderson (E)
2. Love Allotey (G)
3. Gilberto Biondi (A)
4. Terry Ball (A)
5. Brian Dalby (A)
6. George O'Neill (E)
7. Len Gillis (C)
8. Brian Cartwright (E)
9. Colin Lake (E)
10. Lawrence Hafey (C)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Johnny Famechon (A)
2. Jimmy Revie (E)
3. Billy McGrandle (C)
4. Toro George (NZ)
5. Roy Gullefer (E)
6. John O'Brien (S)
7. Jimmy Bell (S)
8. Bobby Fisher (S)
9. Billy Hardacre (E)
10. Jim McAuley (I)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Alan Rudkin (E)
2. Walter McGowan (S)
3. Johnny Clark (E)
4. Bob Allotey (G)
5. Evan Armstrong (S)
6. Steve Curtis (W)
7. Glyn Davies (W)
8. Patrick Mambwe (Z)
9. Jackie Burke (C)
10. Noel Kunde (A)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Tony Barlow (E)
3. Alex Martin (C)
4. Tony Williams (W)
5. George Hinds (S)
6. Art Hafey (C)
7. Bill Amos (Z)
8. Kid Miller(Z)

Legend: A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; Fi Fiji Islands; G Ghana; Gu Guyana; IN India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; NZ New Zealand; S Scotland; SA South Africa; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

HAYES STOPS ATKINS, TOPS AUSTRALIAN FLYWEIGHT CLASS

By Ray Mitchell

Sydney, Australia—There were a few title fights in Australia recently, not all of them deserving of the accolade. For example, there were two bouts billed for the vacant Australian flyweight title within two days.

At Brisbane, Sandy Flucker 109, narrowly outpointed Vaughan Houston, 109, over 15 rounds.

The following night at Caulfield, in the State of Victoria. Harry Hayes, 110, knocked out David Atkins, 110, in the sixth round of another 15-round bout.

The real champion is Hayes, who is a class above the rest. A cousin of Lionel Rose, Hayes is undefeated in 13 contests, including a one-round stoppage of Flucker.

Houston engaged in only six bouts prior to meeting Flucker. Of these, two were over three rounds, two over four and two over six. Houston had won three of them.

An Australian flyweight title fight without Hayes in one corner was laughable.

▶Brisbane did promote one legitimate title fight. Bob Dunlop, 187, stopped defending heavyweight champion Fred Casey, 191½, in the eighth round.

Casey was outclassed by the punishing Dunlop, who hit Fred everywhere but the soles of the feet and the roof of the mouth! Casey was reeling, with eyes cut, when the referee called a halt.

▶On the same night, at Thebarton, in South Australia, Billy Choules, 154, outpointed Ricky Datson, 154, over 15 rounds for the vacant Australian junior-middleweight title.

▶At Caulfield, Harry Hayes, 110, stopped David Atkins, 111, two seconds before the final bell of a 10-rounder. This was a prelude to their title fight which took place 28 days later.

▶Brisbane pulled another boner by pairing Geoff White, 129, with Con Russell, 129½, for the vacant Australian junior lightweight title.

White deserves to be in one corner of a vacant title fight but Russell doesn't. He is well down the scale in the division, in fourth spot. The expected happened. Russell was stopped in the eighth round. Russell had a bad eye-cut but that was only one reason the bout was halted.

The Australian junior-lightweight title still is vacant.

▶"The Ring" is trying to alter geography! In my column in the September issue, it had Wagga Leagues Club being in Melbourne. Wagga is in the State of New South Wales. Melbourne is in the State of Victoria, hundreds of miles apart.

▶Australian middleweight champion Dick Blair, 160½, gained a narrow points decision over Tongan Lee Moto, 162, in the main 10 at North Sydney. This was their second meeting and the second narrow win for Blair. Our champion always does just enough to win. A veteran campaigner, he judges perfectly just how much work he has to do to gain the major points.

▶At Melbourne Leo Young, 134¾, successfully staved off the attacks of Darryl Carrick, 135, for 15 rounds to hold his Victorian State lightweight title. Young had to work hard.

▶Former Australian junior-middleweight champion Rod Kenny. 162½, outpointed Lee Moto, 160, at HSV Channel 7 TV studios, South Melbourne.

▶Lee Moto is being kept busy. At Brookvale, N.S.W., he did a repeat on Dave Cullen over 10 rounds. Points decision, and clear Cullen, at 168, outweighed Moto by four pounds.

▶Leading contender for the Australian welterweight title, Alan Moore, 147¾, outpointed Tongan Fetaiaki Fifita, 149¾, over 10 at Sydney Stadium. Moore knew too much for the green Tongan.

▶Australian lightweight champion Fred Wicks, 135¼, axed Tony Previtt, 134, in the fourth round of their 10 at Sydney. Previtt gave a good account of himself until Wicks opened up in the fourth frame. The Victorian was staggering when the fight was stopped.

▶Brendon Jackson, 147, excelled himself in defeating Johnny Galuzzo, 151, at Melbourne. It resulted in a cut-eye stoppage in the eighth round but Victorian Jackson was on top of his opponent.

In a six round support Paul Ferrari, 119, proved himself the best bantamweight operating in Australia when he outpointed Alan Presnall, 121, for the second time.

The Australian bantamweight title is vacant following Lionel Rose's stepping into the featherweight division.

▶At Redfern, Eddie Dawson, 148, progressed up the welter scale with a good pints win over Norm Langford, 147, over 10. This was their fourth meeting. In 1965, Langford won on points. In 1966, they boxed a draw, then Langford won by KO in round two.

▶Eddie Dawson, 148½, outpointed Johnny Infante, 146, in the headline eight at HSV Channel 7 TV studios, South Melbourne. A clear-cut win.

▶Caulfield, from which ATV Channel O Melbourne televises fortnightly programs, showed Charlie Leo, 143, in a comeback after two years and four months away from the ring, against Jack Kriss, 145. Leo won a convincing points decision.

▶Two days later at the TV studios of HSV, Pat Lamanna, 124, gained a points win over Trevor Smith, 125.

▶Middleweight Tony Mundine, 161, had too much for Sione Sani, 158½, in their eight-round headliner at HSV, but the Tongan made Mundine earn his keep.

▶Ken Bradley, 122, halted former Australian flyweight champ Jackie Bruce, 124, in the fourth frame of their 10 at Queanbeyan. Bradley should be our next Austrailan featherweight champion.

▶South Newcastle had its second airing for boxing in its monthly promotions when junior middleweight Jim Brown, 154, outpointed Jerry O'Rourke, 153, in the headline eight. Brown appeared to be taking it easy.

▶Brown is a comer. At South Sydney Leagues Club, Redfern, he halted Aub Phillips, 154, in the second round. He filled Aub's eye in the first round. Phillip's cut man Billy Smith, got the eye open at round's end but Aub was having trouble in the second round—with his eye and with Brown—so referee Jimmy Carruthers called a halt.

At North Sydney one week later Brown, 157, had a comfortable points win over Steve Vik, 155, in the main 10.

▶Hilary Connolly, 134, and Nick Neophitou, 132, both Melbourne boys, turned on a good fight at the Melbourne Festival Hall, with the better boxing of Connolly gaining him a win.

▶One of Australia's rising boys is Queensland welter Allan Young. In the eight round support to Flucker-Houston he halted Ala n Ogden in the third round. Young has won all his six contests inside the distance.

▶At Cronulla, outer Sydney suburb, Ken Carmody, featherweight, halted Johnny Dawson in the seventh round because of an eye injury

Carmody followed this by knocking out Ray Ellis in 1:53 of the first round of a prelim at North Sydney—eight days after his win over Dawson. Ken will never win a title but he always is at the beck and call of promoters. Last year he had 33 bouts.

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CLEVELAND NEWS

By Harold Walsh

Professional boxing made an encouraging comeback in Cleveland, after a long absence, when local Chuck Spencer, claimant of the North American bantamweight title, disposed of Tommy Fix of Shelby in the 10th round of a scheduled 12. The show drew 1,100 witnesses. Mike Laquatra, matchmaker, supported the main event with a well-balanced card. Frank and Chuck Lane promoted the show and plan two more cards before the year's end.

Two sports personalities, Tom Manning, TV broadcaster, and Jimmy Lee of the Cleveland Athletic Club, died recently. Tommy Walsh, who was counted out in Chicago, was well known throughout Ohio, having been matchmaker for clubs in Akron, Canton and Cleveland.

Bogs Takes European Title From Duran, Galli Is Beaten

By J. A. TREE

BERLIN, Germany — There were three important fights on the Continent since your correspondent last reported on European action.

Twenty-four-year-old Tom Bogs won his 48th fight and with it, at Copenhagen, took the European middleweight crown from Italian Carlos Duran, who had reigned from November 1967.

Bogs, undefeated, has never fought outside his country. Thirty-seven of his bouts have taken place in Copenhagen. He won the light heavyweight crown of Europe with a 2:43 win over Lothar Stengel in September last year. After a successful but disappointing defense against Italian Piero Del Papa, Tom decided to vacate his title and rejoin the middleweight division.

European flyweight champion Fernando Atzori, retained his title with a decision over Frenchman Kamara Diop, and now hopes to campaign for world honors. Atzori has won 23 of his 25 fights.

Outsider Tommaso Galli became the new featherweight champion of Europe when Austrian referee Kid Rado decided to take champion Manuel Calvo, Spain, out of the fight in the last two minutes of their 15-rounder because of a cut eyebrow.

Joachim Göttert, Germany's No. 1 promoter, has brought boxing to Hamburg for 20 years. His first show was on August 5, 1949 and his 54th took place recently with a Bailey-Blin affair in the Ernst Merck Halle.

Former European light heavyweight champion Lothar Stengel, Germany, has been dropped from the ratings. Doctors say he will never box again. Stengel remains hopeful that they will come up with a cure for his leg, which has troubled him for some time.

Heavyweight Gerhard Zech, who no longer seems interested in boxing, is also dropped. Hans Jorgen Jacobsen, Denmark, crept in at No. 10 but one wonders if he deserves this, as he dropped a bout to Briton Charley White recently.

SPAIN

▶ **Madrid**—Middleweight, Cesaro Barrera drew in an eight with Francisco Ferry. Bantamweight. Francisco Martinez beat Kid Miller, TKO four. Featherweight. Mariano Perez beat Miguel Mancheno KO one.

▶ **Gigon**—Luis Aisa, Spain's featherweight champion, retained his crown when Rodolfo Garcia was disqualified in the sixth. Welterweight. Francisco Panos beat Jose Maria Riba, TKO six.

▶ **Bilbao**—Benito Canal decisioned Mariano Echevarria in 12 and became the new Spanish heavyweight king. Welterweight. Angel Robinson Garcia beat Johnny White, eight. Lightweight. Pedro Carrasco beat Massimo Consolati, TKO four. Bantamweight. Fabian Bellanco outpointed Manolin Alvarez, 10.

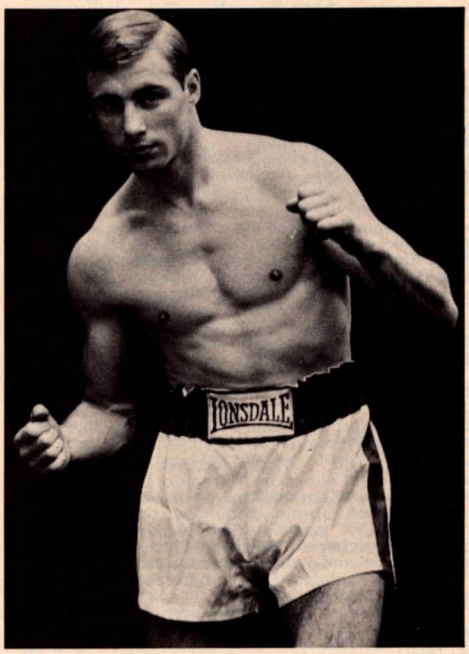
▶ **Madrid**—Bantamweight. Francisco Martinez beat Jose Salvado Baire, KO three. Lightweight. Mariano Perez beat Felipe Prada, TKO three. Featherweight. Guillermo Perez decisioned Verez Silva, eight. Lightweight. Isidoro Moro outpointed Eizaguirre, eight.

▶ **Las Palmas**—Lightweight. Kid Tano beat Francisco Trujillo, TKO five.

▶ **Madrid**—Lightweight. Angel Ejarque decisioned San Roman, 10. Welterweight. Mariano Perez outscored Tomas Castuera, eight. Francisco Panos and Martin Parraga drew in an eight-rounder. Featherweight. Andres Martin beat Ray Karimu, KO three.

▶ **Almeria**—Spanish bantamweight champion Francisco Martinez retained his crown. He fought a 12-round draw with Jose Bisbal. Middleweight. Jose Antonio Galvez outscored Martin Parraga, eight. Featherweight. Guillermo Perez outpointed Manuel Alcala, eight.

▶ **Barcelona**—A protest by the Spanish boxing authorities to the European Boxing Union followed Kid Rado's decision in the European featherweight title affair between champion



TOM BOGS

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EUROPEAN RATINGS

(AS OF OCTOBER 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*1. Henry Cooper (GB)
2. Dante Cane (I)
3. Piero Tomasoni (I)
4. Peter Weiland (G)
5. Jürgen Blin (G)
6. Bernard Thebault (F)
7. Paul Roux (F)
8. Giulio Rinaldi (I)
9. Jose Urtain (S)
10. Jorgen Jacobsen (D)

LIGHT HEAVIES
*1. Yvan Prebeg (Yu)
2. Piero Del Papa (I)
3. Giovanni Biancardi (I)
4. Alfredo Vogrig (I)
5. Vittorio Saraudi (I)
6. Arno Prick (G)
7. Bas van Duivenbode (H)
8. Bernard Quellier (F)
9. Guerrino Scattolin (I)
10. Silvio Baroni (I)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*1. Tom Bogs (D)
2. Carlos Duran (I)
3. Yoland Leveque (F)
4. Jacques Marty (F)
5. Luigi Patruno (I)
6. Mario Lamaga (I)
7. Jean Bouttier (F)
8. Pascal Di Benedetto (F)
9. Hans Dieter Schwartz (G)
10. Klaus Stockmann (G)

LIGHT MIDDLES
*1. Gerhard Piaskowy (G)
2. Remo Golfarini (I)
3. Jose Gonzalez (F)
4. Bo Petterson (Sw)
5. Fabio Bettini (I)
6. Massimo Bruschini (I)
7. Pierre Minier (F)
8. Jean Rolland (F)
9. Vid Stillja (A)
10. Cesareo Barrera (S)

WELTERWEIGHTS
*1. Jean Josselin (F)
2. Silvano Bertini (I)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)
4. Marcel Cerdan (F)
5. Johann Orsolics (A)
6. Domenico Tiberia (I)
7. Fighting Mack (H)
8. Aldo Battistutta (I)
9. Robert Gallois (F)
10. Cemal Kamaci (T)

LIGHT WELTERS
*1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Juan Sombrita (S)
3. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
4. Willi Quatuor (G)
5. Rene Roque (F)
6. Barrera Corpus (S)
7. Borge Krogh (D)
8. Romano Fanali (I)
9. Olli Maki (Fn)
10. Massimo Consolati (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*1. Pedro Carrasco (S)
2. Maurice Tavant (F)
3. Miguel Velazquez (S)
4. Carmelo Coscia (I)
5. Bruno Melissano (I)
6. Leonard Tavares (F)
7. Italo Biscotti (I)
8. Pietro Ziino (I)
9. Kid Tano (S)
10. Antonio Puddu (I)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*1. Tommaso Galli (I)
2. Jose Legra (S)
3. Manuel Calvo (S)
4. Lothar Abend (G)
5. Marius Cordier (S)
6. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
7. Michel Houdeau (F)
8. Nevio Carbi (I)
9. Umberto Simbulla (I)
10. Luis Aisa (S)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Title Vacant)
1. Franco Zurlo (I)
2. Ben Ali (S)
3. Pierre Vetroff (F)
4. Enzo Farinelli (I)
5. Antonio Sassarini (I)
6. Carmelo Massa (I)
7. Rudolfo Garcia (S)
8. Antonine Porcel (F)
9. Francisco Martinez (S)
10. Jose Salvador (S)

FLYWEIGHTS
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sw)
4. Fabian Bellanco (S)
5. Kamara Diop (F)
6. Manuel Alvarez (S)
7. Ulf Danielson (D)
8. Dionisio Bisbal (S)
9. Michel Spina (I)
10. Luigi Boschi (I)

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PRUITT KNOCKS OUT AYALA IN SEVENTH AT HONOLULU

By Ted Yamachika

Honolulu, Hawaii—Adolph Pruitt, 137¼, Los Angeles, knocked out Javier Ayala, 136½, Mexico, in the seventh of a scheduled 10 round bout at the HIC arena. Pruitt floored Ayala with his first punch and except for the second round, when the Mexican made his only bid, had an easy time of it. He softened Ayala with hard body punches and the latter no longer was in the fight after the fifth.

A left and right to the jaw floored Ayala in the seventh. He landed outside the ropes and barely beat the count. As soon as he was on his feet, Pruitt polished him off.

Pruitt now is the biggest attraction in Honolulu. He has drawn capacity crowds and this fight was no exception, 7,804 fans being in attendance, with a gross of $44,496.75.

A tenner saw Bernado Magno, 132½, Philippines, beat Saburo Hitomi, 131½, Japan, in a hard fought battle.

Rosendo Rubalcaba, 149¼, Mex., decisioned Takugi Iwase, 148¼, Japan. six. Filifili Alaiasa, 179¼, Los Angeles, TKO'ed Roland Reyer, 183¼, Los Angeles, in the third.

Flash Charles, 138¾, Los Angeles, beat Lorenzo Dias, 140, Mex., five rounds. Memo Guerrero, 126, Mexico, beat Fino Pimental, 126, Los Angeles, five rounds.

▶ Domi Manalang, 121¾, Philippines, won a close one over Cordobes Lopez, 121¼, Mexico, in 10 at the HIC arena. After suffering two kayo losses this year Manalang is finding rough going, especially now that he is fighting featherweights.

In another tenner, Willie Cordova, 121¼, Philippines, got a draw against Joe Valdez, 121¼, Mexico. Valdez punched harder but Cordova landed more blows. 3,588 fans paid $15,606.00.

Memo Guerrero, 127¼, Mexico, beat Kazumichi Hayashi, 130¾, Japan. six rounds. Issac Kimura, 117, Japan, decisioned Jose Orantes, 119, Mexico, six rounds. Estaban Favela, 129¾, Mexico, beat Saburo Hitomi, 129¾, Japan, six rounds.

▶ Leo Calderon, 119, Mexico, managed to eke out a 10 round win over Nene Jun, 120¾, Philippines, at the HIC arena. The decision was split.

Jun proved strong and was the aggressor throughout. He had Calderon backing away and at times hanging on. But he failed to pace himself properly and was so arm weary that he lost the last two rounds. At that, many felt that he deserved the duke.

Manuel Balaba, 117¾, Philippines, won an upset decision over Lenny Brice, 116¾, Los Angeles, in 10. The card drew 4,810 fans who paid $21,217.50.

Kazuhiro Sawaguchi, 131, Japan, won a unanimous decision over Flory Kid, 129¼, Philippines, in the third tenner.

Issac Kimura, 114½, Japan, decisioned Manuel Barajas, 114, Mexico, five. Manuel Tejares, 120½, Philippines, beat Memo Guerrero, 122, Mexico, five.

▶ Alberto Reyes, 123, Philippines, split-decisioned Joe Valdez, 123½, Mexico, in the 10 round main at the HIC. Valdez landed the harder blows, Reyes was the busier fighter.

Roberto Andrade, 125, Philippines, scored one knockdown and went on to beat Beto Maldonado, 127, Mexico, in the other tenner.

Chamaco Castillo, 120, Mexico, outpointed Ken Nagamine, 120¼, Los Angeles, eight. Jerry Williams, 130¼, Los Angeles, beat Martin Alvarez, 130¾, Mexico, four. Tony Morrero, 141, Los Angeles, knocked out Ismael Rivera, 141¼, Los Angeles in the first round.

ARCARI STOPS SOMBRITA, GALLI TKOs CALVO

By Jose Alvarez

Madrid, Spain—The Summer season was not kind to Spain's image in boxing. Two Spaniards were engaged in EBU titles, both lost. Nevertheless the proceedings were diffrnt.

At San Remo (Itoly) Juan Albornoz Sombrita, junior welter, was knocked out in six rounds by Bruno Arcari, No. 1 contender, a wicked left hook to the stomach followed by a short left to the head on the way down put Sombrita out. He rolled, trying to beat the count. Sombrita was short of condition.

During the first four Sombrita outboxed his southpaw rival and was winning handily. He began to slow in the fifth, and when Bruno found the range, he applied the finish.

Sombrita announced his retirement from boxing, at 35.

He was six pounds overweight the night before the fight, and shed the surplus sweating it off with shadow boxing and hot baths.

A different case is our other set-back. European countries are so scarce on talent of world standard that a country image of boxing is given by its number of EBU titlists or challengers. Spain's Manuel Calvo has an indictment of referee Kurt Rado. This Austrian let Tommaso Galli (Italy) do everything an experienced fox, like the Italian, can pull inside a ring. Everything—butt, hang on, rabbit punch, push, pull, waltz, slap, rub with inner part of gloves—and all that during 15 rounds.

Not a warning, not a sign of concern. With one minute to go Rado stopped the fight in Galli's favor, "because of injury."

With 15,000 fans at the Barcelona Bullring I expected Rado to get hurt. Rado conceded that Calvo was ahead by two points at the end.

Calvo founght hard when Rado and Galli let him do it. He has a punch in either hand.

Ben Ali has been nominated official challenger to the EBU bamtam title, now vacant after Sal Burrunni's retirement. Another Italian, Franco Zurlo, has been appointed to fight Ali. Zurlo, with a long career behind him, over 30, possessing a good fortune, will not stay for long in the game.

Jose Legra was wrong in accepting the Saldivar match. Jose had many other roads to reach Famechon.

One of the problems in European countries is that, in most cases, manager and trainer are the same person. Many a good trainer is a poor businessman and many a good manager is a poor trainer.

Pedro Carrasco and Miguel Velazquez produced the best title bout seen in Spain in recent years. Both gave their best during the 15 rounds before a sell out crowd. Carrasco won by one point, but it could have been called even. This fight established Pedro and Miguel as the two best lightweights in this part of the world.

Following Luis Folledo's withdrawal from the fistic scene, a small group of promising middles has jointed the pro ranks. Quintana Trujillo, Canary Islands, Pablo Sanchez, Madrid, and Miguel Muñoz, Barcelona, are young and hard punchers who have high promise.

Jose Urtain has changed managers. He is now under the guidance of Renzo Casadei, Carrasco's pilot.

Cadadei has hired Ignacio Ara, one of our best-ever fighters, as trainer. Urtain will be for eight weeks under Ara's skilled hands. Casadei wants Jose to improve his boxing, especially his defense.

Urtain, after 18 KO wins, in the soft touch area, now will be tried against bigger fish.

PUGH LOOKS GOOD IN 15 ROUNDER AGAINST BARRETO

By Ron Virgets

New Orleans, La.—Percy Pugh, 142, withstood a closing rally by Miguel Barreto, 143¾, Philadelphia, and won a split decision at Municipal Auditorium, in a 15-round contest.

The bout was a reversal of their first meeting, when the Philadelphian was able to score well with his jab and win.

Barreto started fast this time, then seemed content to try to box with Pugh at long range. Using his faster hands to advantage, Percy was able to beat his opponent to the punch. Especially in the fifth round when he cut Barreto's eyes.

The game challenger whittled away at Pugh's lead in the last four rounds, and actually finished the stronger.

This was Barreto's first trip over the 15-round route. He waited too long to make his move. Pugh, however, looked sharp.

Judge Lucius Jefferson called the fight a 7-7-1 draw, while Ref Herman Dutreix voted for Pugh 8-6-1 and Ernie Cojoe saw it 11-4 for the winner.

A crowd of 2,700 paid a gross of $10,761 to promoters Jimmy White and Lou Messina.

In a scheduled eight, bulky Vernon Clay, 222, New Orleans, shattered the comeback hopes of Joe Dorsey, 192, New Orleans, by hooking his way to a technical knockout in 1:25 of the second. Dorsey was unable to avoid Clay's left and was helpless when referee Jefferson called a halt.

Sam Wilson made short work of Clyde Washington in a match between local lightweights. Wilson spilled his foe twice with strong left hooks, and Maxie Docusen called a halt after 2:30 of the opening stanza.

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GREG PERALTA WON'T FLY TO
● N.Y. ARGENTINA ACTIVE ●

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

Buenos Aires, Argentina—Much fighting here. But nothing that affected world championships. Greg Peralta still will not fly to New York to fight. Recent results:

▶ **Rio Cuarto**—Junior middleweight Miguel Angel Castellini kayoed Raul O. Pereyra in two.

▶ **Neuquen**—In the junior welter division Argentine champion Juan A. Aranda and Everaldo Costa Azevedo, Brazil, drew in 10.

▶ **Bahia Blanca**—For the local lightweight title Miguel A. Bravo retained his crown, beating Jovel Fuentes in 12.

▶ **Mendoza**—Local middle champion Juan Aguilar kayoed Tanaré Ferreyra (from Uruguay) in the third round.

▶ **Rosario** — Bantamweight Osvaldo Piedrabuena whipped Adacyr Ferreyra, Brazil, in 10 rounds.

▶ **Buenos Aires** — Undefeated Mario Guilloti stopped Juan "Yanny" Garcia, TKO in third.

▶ **Salta**—Ex-Argentine bantam champion Victor Cardenas beat Santos Silisque in 10.

▶ **Cordoba**—Junior welters, Miguel A. Coria and Ricardo Gonzalez drew in 10.

▶ **Tucuman**—Argentine and South America middle champion Carlos Monzón beat Emilio Alé Ali by a TKO in seventh round (Non title).

▶ **Rosario**—In the junior light class local champion Julio Campagna kayoed Carlos Quiroga in fourth round.

▶ **La Plata**—Angel Osuna, in the welter class, brother of the new Argentine welter champion, outpointed Abel Cachazú in 10. Cachazu is No. 1 in the Official Argentine ratings of this division.

▶ **Mendoza** — Argentine lightweight champion Carlos Aro retained his crown against Juan Carlos Salinas. Aro won in 12 on points.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Argentine welter Esteban Osuna won easily over Ramón La Cruz in 12 rounds and is the new champion.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—In the heavy class ex-Argentine and South American light heavy champion Miguel Angel Paez outpointed Felipe Marich in 10 rounds.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—In the bantam, Heleno Ferreira, Brazil, and Rafael Souza drew. in seven rounds by medical decision.

▶ **La Plata**—In the middle class hard puncher Miguel Chequer kayoed Ricardo Omar Soto in the ninth round.

▶ **Cordoba** — Argentine light heavy champion Avenamar Peralta kayoed Omar Woldrik in three.

▶ **Bariloche**—In the lightweight class Carlos Gimenez kayoed Jose Antonio Acosta in the second round.

▶ **Villa Azcasubi**—For the local welter title, Luis Colman outpointed Armando Marcchisio in 12.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Gabino Bay beat Adolfo Cardozo by a TKO in round five. Cardozo lost his undefeated standing.

▶ **Junin**—In the welter class, undefeated Mario Guilloti beat Antonio Vargas by a TKO in the third round.

▶ **Rosario**—In the lightweight class Ruben Martinez beat Nicolas Merlo in 10.

▶ **Cordoba**—In the light class Carlos Peralta beat Ernesto Martinsen in 10.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Undefeated in the junior light class, Juan Domingo Corradi and Héctor Pace, No. 1 in the Official Argentine ratings, drew in 10.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Junior lightweight Venancio Gonzalez stopped Victor Etchegaray by a TKO in the third round.

▶ **Inriville**—In the middle division, Jorge J. Fernandez stopped Hugo Torres by a TKO in the ninth.

▶ **Cutral-Co**—In the junior middle class, Roberto Carabajal kayoed Carlos Sosa in round two.

▶ **Buenos Aires** — Carlos Aro, Argentine and South American light champion, retained his crown, beating Luis Zuñiga, Chilean champion, in 12.

▶ **Famailla**—In the junior light division, Oscar "Pelusa" Muñoz beat Ricardo Lescano in 10.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Juan A. Aranda, Argentine champion, whipped Rodolfo Catalini in 10 (non-title bout).

▶ **Rosario**—In the bantam class, Rafael Souza outpointed André Avalos in 10.

▶ **Cordoba**—World champion junior welter Nicolino Locche beat Angel Roman in 10 (non title bout).

▶ **Rio Cuarto**—In the lightweight class, Gregorio Villavicencio stopped Hector Alba by a TKO in the ninth round.

▶ **Bahia Blanca**—In the junior welter division Juan "Yanny" Garcia and Martin Juarez drew in 10.

▶ **San Francisco**—Carlos Casor kayoed Eduardo Etcheveria in the third round. They are feathers.

▶ **Allen**—In the junior middle class, Francisco Lamas and Hector Quijada drew in 10.

▶ **Salta**—Featherweights Oscar Tapia and Carlos Ponce drew in 10.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Argentine light heavy champion Avenamar Peralta kayoed Luis Rozendo, Brazil, in the fifth round.

BAIRD SCORES TKO OVER PEREZ
● IN NINE AT AKRON ●

By Jim Bond

Akron, Ohio—Doyle Baird made another progressive move on his comeback trail by scoring a TKO over Danny Perez, New York, in the ninth.

It was an even fight for eight rounds. In the ninth, Baird put over a hard right followed by a terrific left hook. Perez went down. He regained his feet but was in such bad shape that referee Pete Rademacher stopped the fight.

Baird boxed well, although at times his opponent was able to cause trouble on the inside. The win was a most important one for Doyle. It served notice on the top middleweights that Baird is once again ready to take his place in the top echelon of his division.

In an upset, Joe Byrd, 195, Flint, KO'd hitherto undefeated Billy Wagner, 174, Cleveland in round two. A solid right to the jaw did the trick. Wagner underestimated Byrd's punching power.

Ted Gulech, Youngstown, 188, KO'd Al Hughley, 177, Buffalo, in 1:29 of round one. Frank Thompson, 161, Akron, lost a four round decision to Hand Pelou, 155, Buffalo. Frank Myers, 193, Erie, beat Bobby Aldrich, 203, Buffalo, in a four.

▶ At Zanesville, in the eight round main event, Tommie Shaffer, 164, Uniontown, Pa., won over Kenney Partlow, 157, Huntington, W. Va.

In the six semi, southpaw Junior Varney, 134, Huntington, won the decision over Sonny Oliver, 136, Akron.

Gene Masters, 154, Huntington, won over Tommy Russell, 155, Zanesville, in four rounds.

▶ Chuck Weiss and Frank Laine promoted a show at Stafford Field in Warrensville Heights, Ohio. Chuck Spencer, Cleveland, TKO'd Tommie Fix, Galion, in round 10.

Earl Johnson, Cleveland, beat Gary Broughton, Brantford, Ont., in eight—middleweights.

Willie Wilhams, Cleveland, beat Julio Mandell, Toronto, in six—lightweights.

Andy Helmeczy, Cleveland, TKO'd Richard Toy, Buffalo, in round two—welterweights.

Hank Pelou, Buffalo, KO'd Robert Reed, Cleveland in the first—middleweights.

JOFRE, IN COMEBACK, STOPS
● CORONA IN SIXTH ROUND ●

By Bo Zaine

Sau Paulo, Brazil—The comeback of former bantamweight champion Eder Jofre drew 4,000 persons, and became a success. He faced tough Rudy Corona, of Mexico, in a feather contest, and came in weighing 124, against 122.

From the bell, Eder showed top class boxing. In the second round, he received Corona's head on his right elbow, and he started to bleed.

Corona tried to get the fight on his side by hitting the wound, but Eder never permitted that.

In the third round, Corona got a warning from the referee. Now it was all Eder and the only question was: when?

The answer came rather quickly. Corona, after receiving a lot of punishment, went to the floor in the sixth round. He got up, but the referee stopped the fight, Eder was far too good for the man from Mexico.

Middleweight Luis Fabri showed poise and quality when he outpointed Renado Realli in an eight-rounder.

In another middleweight bout, Roberto David was far ahead on points over Ruben de Oliveira, Uruguay, when a right cross from Oliveira ended the fight in the third round.

In a flyweight bout, Servilio de Oliveira outclassed Ezau Teixera, knocked him down in the first round, and finished him off in the second.

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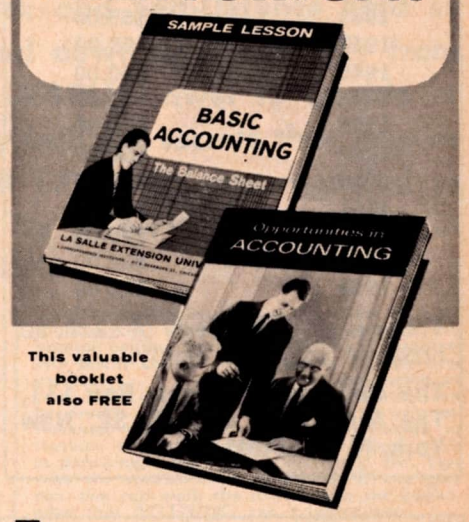

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SOUTH AFRICA OFFERS NEW HEAVY COMER IN RICHARDS

By Ed Clark

Johannesburg, South Africa—Jimmy Richards, 210-pound motor mechanic from Pretoria, is the latest heavyweight comer down in this part of the world.

Trained and managed by the Karam brothers, Tony and George, Jimmy has beaten Gerry du Bruyn, former champ, in his second pro fight, won a recent talent tournament and drew over 10 rounds with 4th ranked British heavy, Roger Tighe.

The fight started with Richards adopting a southpaw stance but two straight lefts from Tighe made him revert to orthodox. The 21 year old South African carried the fight to Tighe and took the first two rounds.

The third went to Tighe, who bloodied Richards' nose but in the fourth, Richards got through with short rights and a left uppercut.

The fight ended with boxers standing toe to toe.

Jack Solomons has topped another Britisher's offer for Richards' contract by offering £10,000.

Bobby Diamond out here with John O'Brien has advised that Richards be taken to America for a year's coaching.

On the Tighe card, Coert Fourie, 173, K.O.'d Basie Cilliers, 171½, in one. Nick Potgieter, 139¾, stopped Wally Brown, 135, in the third. Gavin Crouch, 147½, stopped Jan van der Bergh, 144½, in the first; and Johnny Britz, 193, outpointed Tommy Miller, 208¼, over four.

▶ **Durban**—Joe Sishi, 155, dual middle and welter champ of Natal, outfought Ezra "The Whip" Mzinyane, Transvaal over eight rounds.

Enoch Bhengu, 146, stopped Alphius Sikosane, 145, in the fourth. Edward Sithole, 133¾, outscored Speech Mbatha, 132, and then KO'd him in the second. Moses Mthembu, 135, beat Alfred Shozi, 135, four. Sinet Shabalala, 125, beat Wellington Mbatha, 177½, four. Silas Mbele, 202, beat Joseph Mahlolo, 201¾, TKO, six.

▶ **Johannesbzurg**—Jimmy Richards, slammed his way to a win in the heavy talent tournament before a crowd of 5,000 in the Wembly Ice Rink.

Johnny Brits KO5d Jan le Roux in the first. Richards stopped Danie Vosloo, in one. Richards stopped Dawie du Preez in the fourth. Jan Delport beat Johnny Britz on points over five rounds. An extra round was fought as they were even over four.

In the final Richards stopped Jan Delport in the second.

▶ **Johannesburg**—Gordon Goba, 151, became t new S.A. Middleweight champion when he be veteran Joe Ngidi, 157½ in a colorless bout o 12 rounds. Enoch Nhlapo, 141, beat Pat Hla angane, on points in six. Jack Masamba, Rh desia, 139¾, proved too rugged for Amos Dlami 137½, KO in three. Isaac Rakhajane beat Pet Ramothloa, 129¾, six. Daniel Hlabane, 112, be William Molatodi, III, four. Victor Tshabala 135½, KO'd Abel Tsotetsi, 135½, in three.

▶ **Johannesburg**—John O'Brien, former Empi feather champ, scored a points victory over n tional champ Arnold Taylor. O'Brien paced h fight w ell and sent Taylor down for a count o eight.

Mike Buttle, Bantam champ, confirmed h win over Dennis Adams and at a limit of 12 beat Adams on a TKO in the fifth.

Spider Kelly retained his Transvaal welte title in a return with former S.A. champ, Patric Toweel when he forced Toweel to retire in th sixth.

In a lightweight clash over six, Kokkie Olivie 132, outscored Eddie Ludick, 134½.

Nick Potgieter, 138¾, beat Buks Pretorius TKO, two.

▶ **Durban**—Alfred "Kid Bassie" Buqwana, 12 gained a points victory over Blakeney Matthew 125¾, 10 rounds. Phillip Hlope, 128¾, was m match for Alfred Cele, 135. Ephraim Mkiz 114½, lost to Joseph Zondo, four. Paul Mbatha 128½ and Isaac Tshabalala, 125¾ drew, si Paul Shozi, 116¾ and Joe Mthiyane, 117 ende in a draw.

▶ **Alberton**—Joe Ngidi, 152¾, clowned his wa to a win over Joe Joka, 150¾, at the Thokoza Stadium, 10.

▶ **Durban** — In his second contest in South Africa, Scotland's John O'Brien had an easier win when Ernie Baronet, 125½, former S.A. Bantam and feather champ, retired with a dis located shoulder at the end of the fourth round Up till the closure it was an entertaining scien tific contest.

Nick Laubscher, 131½, hit too hard for Chris Nel, 127½, and won on a K.O. in six. Kokkie Olivier, 134, beat Hennie Snyman, 134, who re tired in the third.

Spider Kelly, 148½, forced Kosie Wiese 153¾, to retire at the end of the third. Robert Trott, 135, also had an inside-the-distance-win Robert Trott was waved to his corner by the referee in the sixth.

FROM ALBERTA, CANADA

By Jacques A. H. Tachauer

Lethbridge, Alberta — Edmonton's Billy McGrandle and Toronto's George Chuvalo shared the spotlight on the latest card held in this city and both came through with K.O. victories.

McGrandle, 128, halted Gabby Espinoza, 117, Hermosillo, Mexico, in 17 seconds of round two. Chuvalo, 219, battered Stanford Harris, 226, Jamaica, and decked his man at 2:09 of the second stanza.

For big George it was a step in the right direction as he heads back along the heavyweight trail he has been traveling for so long. Who knows where Chuvalo will go from here. He's a born fighter and though he has suffered numerous setbacks during his lengthy career, he's still determined to reach boxing's highest honors.

In other bouts, Johan Louw, unbeaten middleweight from Edmonton, stopped Frederico Payon, 153½, Hermosillo, at 2:49 of round one. Nafiz Ahmed, 207, Belgrade, Yugoslavia, iced Hugh Mercier, 195, Regina, Saskatchewan, in 2:43 of the opening heat. A fine turnout of some 3,000 fans attended the show held at the Lethbridge Exhibition Pavilion promoted by Nick Zubray.

MARCANOS BATTLE TEN TO DRAW IN CARACAS BOUT

By Jose Contreras

Caracas, Venexuela—There was a $50,000 house for the featherweight bout between the Marcanos, Alfredo and Cruz, 126 ond 128. They battled 10 rounds to a draw.

Jose Garcia, 178, got a 10 round decision over Ray Ayala, 175. Garcia injured his right hand in the fourth.

Francisco Bolivar, 130, and Antonio Cervantes (Kid Pembele) 128, went 10 to a draw.

Andrew Borges decisioned Cesar Chavez in a six. Each weighed 135.

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AL JONES HURRICANE IN ● FLORIDA FELLS O'HALLORAN ●

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Florida—In the king-size league comprised of men 6'6" and up, Al Jones, 229¾, is the undisputed leader with a one round knockout over Jim Beattie in the past, and now, a third round knockout over Jack O'Halloran, 236½, Boston, at the Auditorium before 3,110 fans.

O'Halloran, with claims he was never before decked in 26 fights, hit the floor 3 times from left hooks and uppercuts in the third round. The last time down forced the referee to halt the action. Jones brought his record up to 28 wins with a drew and one loss in 30 bouts.

In an 8 rounder, Johnny Totuska, 145,¾, New Jersey, surprised with a draw against Joe Cartwright, 138, West Palm Beach. Coming off a torrid bout with Lary Adkins did Totuska some good. His long left kept the aggressive and lighter Cartwright off.

In a scheduled sixer, Porter Rolle, 160, Miami, appeared to have run out of competition as he bombed out Lee Brown, 159, Cocoa, in the second round. Rolle, with his fourth successive knockout, looks about ready to be moved up against stiffer competition.

In a four rounder, Doug Rodgers, 151½, Miami, gained a split decision over Houston Hess.

In a four rounder, Sandy Jeffreys, 136½, St. Petersburg, fought a draw with Andy Johnson, 131, Miami.

In another four rounder, Nat King, Miami, 158, stopped Larry Edwards, 153, Miami, in the third round.

▶ A show encompassing amateur and professional talent was presented at the Cape Kennedy Hilton Convention Center.

In the main event of 6 rounds, heavyweight George Holden, Melbourne, outpointed Henry Hall, Eustis.

In a four round bout, Charlie Clark, Melbourne, dropped a decision to Tiger Brown, 212, Eustis, in another heavyweight encounter.

In the 6 round semi-final Teddy Murray, light heavyweight of Melbourne, won on a technical knockout over Yankee Brown, Melbourne, in two.

In the last professional bout on the show a four round welterweight battle found Kit Sheffield, 147, Eustis, copping the decision over Richard Kondricki, Sanford auto racer.

▶ **Orlando, Florida**—Cody Gainer, Tampa heavyweight, won on a TKO in the sixth round over George Holden, Melbourne.

Midway in the sixth round of the scheduled eight rounder, Gainer drove Holden to the ropes with a left hook. As Holden righted himself, Cody connected with a series of left jabs. Holden complained of a knee injury, stopping the action.

Teddy Murray, Melbourne, stopped Charles Jones, Melbourne, in the second round of a light heavyweight match.

On another light heavyweight match, former Melbourne amateur, Yankee Brown, gained a TKO over Ken Walker, Orlando, in round two.

▶ **Miami Beach**—Eddie Talhami scored a seventh round knockout over Johnny Hudgins, 191, Miami, while giving away 13 pounds, at 178 himself. The scheduled 10 round duel at the Auditorium almost found Talhami, former Canadian Golden Gloves champion, a loser as he was staggerred by a left hook. Hudgins had a 4 K.O. string going for him. With Chickie Ferrara in his corner pouring advice, Talhami settled down to the sober job of staying off his antagonist. Eddie used his left jab and caution as barriers against the anxious Hudgins.

His tactics were effective, eventually opening up Hudgins for a left hook which landed three seconds before the end of round seven. Hudgins was counted out.

A co-featured 10 rounder saw Porter Rolle, 159, Miami, hand Luis Galvan, 165, Santo Domingo, a split-decision loss. Rolle forged ahead on the strength of a 10th round knockdown.

In a scheduled six round bout, Billy Freel, 150½, University of Miami, kayoed Cliff Johnson, 148, Fort Lauderdale, in the second round.

In another scheduled sixer, Jimmy Williams, 153, Miami, blasted Jerry Hill, 150, Fort Lauderdale, in the second round.

A six round battle between Tommy Torino, 152, Hollywood, Florida, and Murphy Chatman, 149, Fort Lauderdale, resulted in a draw.

Another six round draw resulted from a spirited bout between Sandy Jefferis, 137½, St. Petersburg, and Winston Green 137, Jacksonville. In a four rounder, debuting Joe Ferinello, 217, Miami, knocked out Mose Green, 203, Miami, in the first round.

▶ **Orlando, Florida**—In a boxing show promoted by Pete Ashlock, Karl Zurheide, 24 year old light heavyweight from Houston, scored a unanimous eight round decision over Tommy Schaffer, Uniontown, Pa. Zurheide injured his right hand, jeopordizing a future spot against Jerry Anderson in the same arena.

In a scheduled four rounder, Hector "Kid" McBride, lightweight, Tampa, scored a technical knockout over Ray Conover, Orlando, in round three. Conover was decked for a nine count, arose, but was unable to continue.

In a four rounder, Willie McBride, middleweight, Tampa, brother of Hector, took a unanimous decision over Claudius Taylor, Bahama.

In a four rounder, heavyweights Bob Ellis and Bob Alexander fought a drew.

In a four, heavyweights Cyril Clark, Melbourne, outpointed Henry Hall, Orlando.

▶ Ernie Burns is a southpaw middleweight with a dynamiting long left. For several years under the guidance of Gil Strong, he has worked sporadically while opponents have been difficult to find.

In a mood to take on anything—anywhere, he answered the call to serve as opposition for Carlos Carmona, the Santo Domingo southpaw who upset bright prospect Gene Wells on Miami Beach, then darned near upset Charles Jordan in the same ring.

The site of battle was the new Country Club Arena in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Ernie, a portsider himself, surprised to see Carmona facing him with right jabs. This either shocked him or aroused his ire as he walked into Carmona and bolted his vaunted left to the chin of Carmona, putting him out for the night.

Nino Benvenuti finally has conceded that Luis Rodriguez deserves a chance at the 160 pound title. Miami supporters of Rodriguez cheered the news which came after a WBA edict calling for Benvenuti to defend against Rodriguez.

NEW YORK'S MONTH ● THAT WAS

By Jersey Jones

Ring action in the metropolitan area promises to perk up in the 1969-70 campaign. The season got officially under way in Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum, and by the time this appears in print Sunnyside Garden likely will have offered its first card. Mike Rosenberg is the promoter, with Duke Stefano again handling the matchmaking chores.

Across the Hudson, Promoter Jimmy Colotto has announced that, with the closing down of the Plaza Arena in Secaucus, he will function at the Embassy Theatre in North Bergen. Duke Stefano also will do the matchmaking there. No announcement has been forthcoming as yet from Al Joyner on his plans for Audubon Ballroom in Washington Heights.

The first fight card offered in several years in the spacious Jersey City Armory is covered elsewhere in this issue by Ronnie Burns in his New Jersey report.

Madison Square Garden announces it plans to promote weekly Friday nights cards, probably in its Felt Forum, with a special TV deal to beam the shows via satellite to South America, which, of course, means importations from South of the Border will continue to be featured, since the available supply of topline Yankee talent is so scarce these days.

Madison Square Garden's fall-winter schedule opened in its junior arena, Felt Forum, with the prolific Puerto Rican clan out in full force and Latin-Americans dominating the program.

Appearing in the windup 10, previously unbeaten David Melendez, 149, suffered his first setback in 22 outings when a newcomer from Colombia, Rodrigo Valdes, 151, stopped him at 2:08 of the fifth. Melendez's downfall began in the second when he was outslugged in an explosive exchange, and suffered a bloody nose. From then on Valdes made good use of his longer reach to set the Puerto Rican up for the grand finale. Dropped in the fifth, he stumbled up at the 8-count, but was in no condition to continue, and referee Harold Valan wisely called a halt.

Rubin Melendez, 151, brother of David, fared better in a preliminary six by outpointing a rival Puerto Rican, Juan Ramos, 148½.

A third Melendez, Bobby, 140½, not related to the others, was a winner in the semi-final 10, speeding his way to a one-sided decision over Mario Saurennann, 138, Philadelphia.

The only bout that did not show a Latin-American was a heavyweight eight in which Lee Carr, 200, Washington Heights, whipped Billy (Moonman) Williams, also 200, Vineland, Va.

Statistics announced by the Garden put the attendance at 3,512 and the receipts at $9,787.

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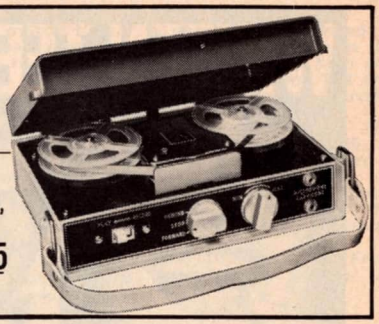

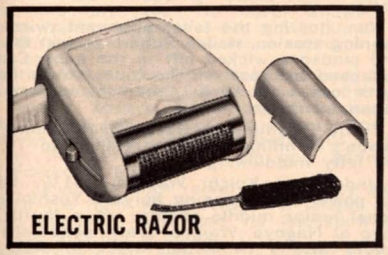

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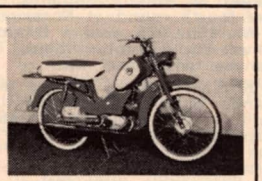

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SAIJO AND LITTLE SCORE FAST ● IN JAPAN FEATURES ●

By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo, Japan—Two spectacular world championship contests were staged in Sapporo and Osaka. They were so short, ended by KO, both in the second round, both in the champion's favor. Some experts criticized them as mismatches.

Shozo Saijo, featherweight contender, disposed of Jose Luis Pimentel, Mexico, quickly. He demolished him with a left hook to the jaw.

Junior middleweight leader Freddie Little's one punch kayo amazed 5,500 fans in Osaka. His straight right stretched Hisao Minami, Japan, unconscious for minutes.

Jaguar Kakizawa, Orient lightweight ruler, easily decisioned Thai Munchai Monkutpetch in 12.

Lion Furuyama's disputed draw with Yukinori Aso was jeered by the spectators, most of whom regarded aggressive Aso as a winner. Southpaw Lion is still national junior welter champion.

Underdog Koichi Wajima knocked out Noriyasu Yoshimura to win Japan's junior middle title. The 26 year old Wajima, still undefeated, is 12-0-0 (11 knockouts).

Hideo Kanazawa upset Muneo Mizoguchi, Oriental junior middleweight leader, via a KO in the third. Muneo's title was not at stake.

▶ A quick-punching Saijo, 126, swarmed over Jose Luis Pimentel, twin brother of Jesus Pimentel, midway in the opening round and had the Mexican gory. The Japanese shook Pimentel, 125½, with a right cross and nailed him at the corner with a flurry of punches. The kayo came at 1 minute 29 seconds in the second, when Saijo's left hook followed by a looping right caught the jaw of his rival. Pimentel went down and out.

Shozo, now the best attraction in Japan, drew a sell-out crowd of 9,500.

Eagle Sato, 145¾, outpointed Shiro Toyosaki, 147, in six, Hataichi Yamamoto, 120, stopped Akio Kawawada, 119¼, in five.

▶ Freddie Little was in action less than 5 minutes, as his straight right flattened Hisao Minami at 1:26 in the second session. Minami was outjabbed by the American. In round two Freddie had the Japanese backpedalling all the way. Suddenly a straight right caught the Japanese on the jaw and dropped him with a thud. If the third man had continued counting he could have reached 200.

Little tipped the beam at 152¼ to Minami's 150.

Jo Tamai, lefty, whipped Suehiro Yabuta. They are welterweights. Appolo (Fumihara) Yoshio beat Isao Shiiya in a feather eight.

▶ Unbeaten left-hander Jun'ichi Naito, 158, made it 10 in a row as he polished off the fading veteran named Hurricane (Hiromitsu) Fujita, 154¾, in the third round in Tokyo. The loser hit the canvas twice before the referee tolled ten.

Mikio Nakata dcisioned Katsuyuki Kawabata in a bantam eight.

▶ Jajan's welter champ Ryu Sorimachi repeated and iced Hideo Kanazawa in the fourth round at Korakuen Hall. They scaled 145½ each.

Hideo was outpunched by the clever champ. Sorimachi's counter right to the chin turned the trick. It was Ryu's second title defense since dethroning Kazuyoshi Kubokura last year.

Genzo Kurosawa won from Mikio Inui in a bantam eight.

▶ Orient flyweight boss Takeshi Nakamura lost to Masao Ohba, up-and-coming prospect, at Korakuen Hall in 10. They weighed 112¾ pounds. Masao's verdict was unanimous. (Non-title).

▶ Yoshiaki Eto, national middleweight leader, was unable to out jab Kum-Tak Yi, undefeated importation from Korea, who mixed it up and battered the sluggish Japanese almost at will in 10.

Osamu Haba outclassed veteran flyweight Hideo Miyamoto in eight.

▶ Regarded as a prohibitive favorite. Eiji Morioka, 118¾, bronze medalist in the 1968 Olympics, was banged out in the eighth round at Korakuen Hall. The upset winner was Filipino Ely Axinto, 118, who had suffered four setbacks in as many engagements in Japan. Ely's two-fisted attack had Morioka on the deck twice before the referee declared the final ten.

▶ Oriental lightweight ruler Jaguar (Shin'ichi) Kakizawa gave a boxing lesson to Munchai Monkutpetch, Thailand, and retained his crown in a 12 rounder.

Kakizawa scored a shutout as all of the officials saw the action 60-48. Each combatant scaled 135.

▶ Lion (Tetsuo) Furuyama, 140, national junior welter leader, was surprisingly held to an unpopular draw by Yukinori (Hiraki) Aso, 138¼, in hard fought ten rounds at Korakuen Hall.

Furuyama barely kept the crown. Aso's tactics annoyed the champion and prevented him from scoring with his left.

▶ Originally scheduled to meet Joe Medel, Mexico, Koichi Okada had to engage in an easy contest with a substitute named Shigeyoshi Ohki, owing to Medel's fever. Okada, Orient junior feather boss, found little difficulty in pounding out the verdict.

▶ George Carter, 160, U.S. Air Force, proved too much for Yoshiaki Akasaka, 159½, in 10. Carter's advantage of 5 inches in height was a handicap of Akasaka, who was outpunched in most rounds.

▶ Dethroned by Kuwashi Shimizu in July, Kenjiro Nakajima, 123¾, relentlessly bored in and demolished Robert Campbell, 125, U.S. Okinawa Base Camp, in the second round at Korakuen Hall.

Ken, flooring the taller opponent twice in the opening session, nailed Robert against the ropes and landed a wicked left to the neck. Campbell collapsed and received the count. It was Robert's ninth loss, eight by KO, against one draw in his Japan campaign.

Turtle (Yoshimitsu) Okabe beat Saburo Saito. Okabe's winning streak stretched to 12. Both are lefty middleweights.

▶ Undefeated Koichi Wajima, 151½, revealed his power in dethroning Noiyasu Yoshimura, national junior middle champ, via a fourth round kayo at Nagoya. Wajima overwhelmed the taller jabber with a two-fisted attack to deck Yoshimura for a count of nine in the third. In the next round Wajima downed the champ three times.

▶ Susumu Hanagata, 114½, solved the style of Roger Moreno, Philippines, and halted him in the fourth round at Korakuen Hall.

Moreno, 115, was a target of Susumu's continual body bombardment. The Filipino hit the canvas twice, and out.

▶ Kuniaki Shibata proved too ringwise for Fernando Sotello, Mexico, flattening the importation in the ninth at Korakuen Hall. Shibata, superior at speed and skill, dropped Sotello for the mandatory eight count with a left in the first round. The Japanese piled up points with an impressive combination.

▶ Hideo Kanazawa utilized his longer reach, outjabbed the Orient junior middle ruler Muneo Mizoguchi, an finished him in the third round at Korakuen Hall. They hit the beam at 154¾. Hideo had the slower hombre on the canvas with a roundhouse right uppercut for the compulsory eight count. Muneo, reeling wobbily, received another strong right to the head. He went down, and out.

BUCK AND KENDALL BATTLE TO ● FIERCELY FOUGHT DRAW ●

By Bob Decker

Seattle, Wash.—Larry Buck and Andy Kendall staged the most savage and exciting draw held in these parts in many years. They boxed and punched a full three minutes of each of the 10 rounds and on four occasions punched well after the bell had signaled the end of a round.

A sparse crowd of 3,500 in Seattle's Coliseum agreed they had never seen a better bout. Buck took the first two rounds against the slow starting Kendall but was stunned in the third by a long right lead.

When the fourth round started most of the fans were on their feet expecting Kendall to end it then, but they went toe to toe. Buck had the better of it and scored well with body punches and hooks to the head and had Kendall covering up in his own corner at the end of the round.

Buck was hampered by a cut over the left eye that opened up in the eighth round.

Referee Jimmy Rondeau scored it for Kendall, 98-96, and the two judges scored it a draw 99-99, and 96-96.

When judges like "99-99" are appointed because of friendship with the commission it sours the show.

Bill McMurray, Sacramento, decisioned local heavyweight Charlie Reno in a 10. 100-100, 99-94, and 100-92.

Mike Quarry made it 11 wins without a loss by stopping Geoff Wall in 3. and George Foreman stopped John Carroll, Phoenix, in the first heat with a right-left that the crowd and commission both m issed.

READ THE RING

MONTREAL FANS THRILLED AS ● PADUANO STOPS FRASER ●

By Frank Allnutt

Montreal, Canada—A full house of 5,166 fans at the Paul Sauve Arena saw a boxing classic in the 10 round fight in which Montreal's Donato Paduano, 148½, stopped Colin Fraser, 146, the Canadian junior welterweight champion from Toronto, in the 10th by TKO.

It was the best fight seen in Montreal in the last decade. Fraser carried the fight to his younger opponent in an effort to take control. Paduano, boxing like a seasoned pro, soon had Fraser's head snapping back, with precise, rapier like left jabs. He never allowed the Toronto fighter to get set for a big punch. Not once during the fight was Fraser able to get a clean shot.

By the end of the fifth, Paduano had slowed Fraser down to a walk, and took over. He gave the fans a superb exhibition of boxing. He paced himself like a veteran and was in perfect condition for his toughest and best fight to date.

From the seventh round on only gameness kept Fraser on his feet.

At 2:32 of the 10th round referee Guy Jutras stopped the fight when Fraser no longer could defend himself. There was no knockdowns in the fight and not a clinch.

Fraser made his way to the winner's corner and congratulated him. Paduano said "If guts alone made champions, Fraser would be in a class by himself." Paduano will bring back big time boxing to Montreal, and soon will be heading cards at the Forum reminiscent of the days of Castilloux, Foreman, Berger, Hurst and Greco.

In the semi-final 10 rounds, Canadian welterweight champion, Joey Durelle, 155, gave a foul-ridden exhibition against Junior Hinton, 162, New York, only to be awarded a split decision. Throughout the fight, Durelle used elbows, thumbs, head and low blows. Never did the Canadian fighter score with clean blows. Hinton, who punches like a featherweight, was in far better condition that Durelle, who, through the second half of the fight floundered very badly. When a gift split decision was handed to Durelle the fans booed for fifteen minutes

Hinton, making his first appearance in Montreal, adjudged a loser, was given a standing ovation and then carried by the fans from the ring to his dressing room.

In a six, it took Gerald Ratte, 146, Montreal, just 2:29 of the first to knock Al Bashir, 150, Montreal, cold. A right to the chin did the trick. They were forced to call an intermission while doctors worked over Bashir.

Over six rounds, Angel Ortiz, 148, New York, stopped Luigi Colavita, 150, Montreal. Ortiz had the Montreal fighter in trouble in the second, and kept the pace going in the third. The referee stopped the fight at 2:21 of the round.

Lethbridge, Alta—George Chuvalo, Canadian heavyweight champion, returning to action since his defeat by Buster Mathis, punched too hard and too often for Stamford Harris, knocking him out at 2:09 of the third round. Harris, 226, carried the fight to Chuvalo, 219, and the first round was all action. Round two and both men still continued to battle away when at 2:09 Chuvalo reached Harris with a crushing left and a hard right to the head dropping the Jamaican fighter for the full count.

Nazim Ahmed, Belgrade, 207, KO'd Hugh Mercier, Regina, 195, in the first. Johann Low, Edmonton, 154½, did likewise to Frederick Payon, Mexico, 153½,

Billy McGrandle, Edmonton, 128, finished off Gabby Espinoza, Hermosillo, 117, at 17 seconds of round two. The complete card took six rounds.

Former world featherweight champion Jackie Callura, from Hamilton, was inducted into the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame at the Canadian National Exhibition. Callura, who started boxing in 1936 won the featherweight title in 1943 by a decision over Jackie Wilson, and repeated his win three months later.

CHIONOI STOPS ALACRON IN NINTH ROUND AT BANGKOK ●

Bangkok, Thailand—Chartchai Chionoi, former world flyweight champion, made a good comeback here when he stopped Rudy Alacron of the Philippines, in the ninth round. The referee halted the contest.

In his previous two meetings this year Chartchai lost his title in Mexico City to Efren Torres, who stopped him in the eighth round, and dropped a decision to Willy Del Prado in a 10 round contest.

DOYLE STOPS LINCOLN IN ● SALT LAKE RING REVIVAL ●

By Mark Jacobs

Salt Lake City, Utah—Big Time boxing returned here, and it is here to stay. The new Salt Palace, a $17 million facility, hosted Irish Tony Doyle and Big Train Lincoln to dedicate the arena. Lincoln was out in eight.

World Boxing Association delegates, meeting at Hotel Utah, were guests of promoter Conrad Kleinman and the athletic Commission, headed by Dean Smith.

The Fullmers were there. Former middleweight champion Gene Fullmer was the announcer. Contender Don was a guest as was former lightweight Jay Fullmer.

Also honored were Rex Layne, former heavyweight contender, and Dr. Jay Lambert, silver medal in the Olympics a few years back.

Doyle, 214, got rolling in the middle rounds and pounded Lincoln, 228, into submission in eight. Lincoln came off the floor and ran into a buzz saw. Referee Ken Shulsen called a halt in 2:55.

Joe Hopkins, 172, Salt Lake, dropped Stan Johnson in eight. Mark Doyle, 142, Sandy won from Oscar Meza, 147, Los Angeles. Julio Garcia, 195, Denver, on the floor twice, came up to put Cliff Dunigan away in a savage brawl, in the first.

The fight drew 2,369 and more of the same is planned.

CHUVALO LOWERS BOOM ON STANFORD HARRIS ● IN SECOND ●

By Jim Johnston

Vancouver, B.C.—Canadian heavyweight champion George Chuvalo, making his first start in seven months, knocked out Jamaican Stanford Harris in the second round at 2.09. The fight was held at Lethbridge.

The match before a near capacity crowd of 4,000 was a fast moving affair until late in the second round. Harris got his hands up high and Chuvalo came through with a crushing left and right to the head. Harris outweighed Chuvalo, 226 to 219.

Nafiz Ahmed, of Belgrade, Yugoslavia, 207, knocked out Hugh Mercier, of Regina, 195, at 2:43 of the opening round. Mercier claimed a low blow but referee Max Gibb said "Nix."

Billy McGrandle, 128 stopped Gabby Espinoza, Hermonsillo, Mexico, 117, in 17 seconds of the second round. McGrandle is the Canadian featherweight champ.

Johann Low, Edmonton, 154½, chilled Frederick Payon, 153½, Hermonsillo, Mexico, in one heat.

CARSTAIRS STOPS STOCKNER IN ● SECOND DOWN UNDER ●

By R. T. Jacka

Wellington, N.S.W.—Ron Carstairs, 132, KO'd Al Stockner, 139, in round two. Carstairs had a slight edge in the first round and halfway through the second caught Stockner with a right and a left hook to the head and Stockner took the full count.

Eddie Wulf, 174, maintained his unbeaten record in an unsatisfactory manner against Dave Cullen, 171, Australia. Wulf won the first round, scoring at will. In round two, Cullen was disqualified for butting.

▶ **Auckland** — Tongan middleweight champion Sione Malu'ifonua, 157, was outgunned by Kahu Mahanga, 160, but fought on courageously until the referee decided to round eight that Sione had had enough. Lacking Mahanag's firepower the Tongan was forced to keep in close and repeated clinches spoiled the bout. Sione was down twice in round two and again in round three. Kahu took an 8 count in round four. The referee's decision was unpopular with the fans, who demonstrated for some minutes. Mahanga was ahead on points atthe stoppage.

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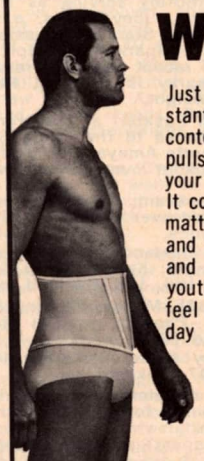

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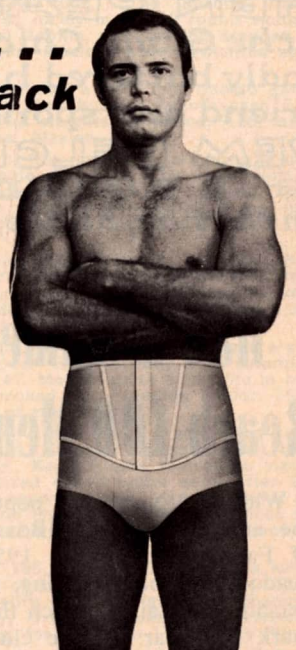

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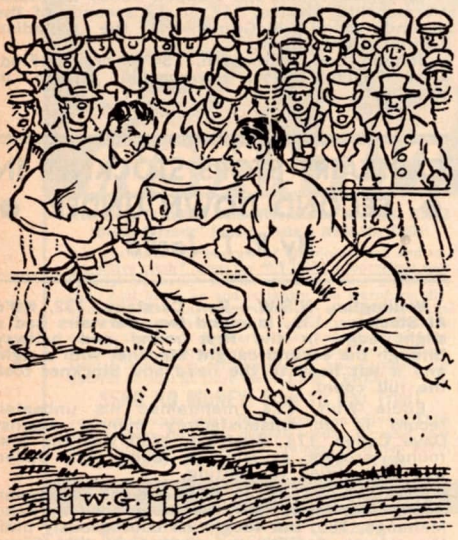

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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ing him off early in the fifth. The Cat should quit.

A pair of powerful right hand shots caused Williams to say good night. The one time Cassius Clay challenger weighed 219½.

The crowd numbered 4,850 and the gate was a sparkling $28,000. Williams reportedly was guaranteed $10,000. Hooray for inflation!

Gil Gallardo, 127½, Las Vegas, took the 10 round semifinal by stopping Johnny Perez, 124, Fresno, in the eighth round. In a heavyweight six rounder, Bunky Akins, 197, Los Angeles, halted Jack O'Reilly, 216, Denver, five.

In a four rounder, Mel Jones, 159, Oakland, decisioned Bob LaBella, 165, Fresno.

▶ **San Diego**—Busy Charlie Austin, 164½, San Diego, won going away from Eddie (Coffey) Miller, 164, Las Vegas, in the 10 round feature at the Coliseum. In a co feature, Macolvia Medina, 141, Tijuana, took a decision over Carlos Monrreal, 142½, San Diego.

Eddie Mazon, 137, San Diego, KO over Raul Gonzales, 135, Tijuana, three; Hildo Ortega, 132, San Diego, outpointed Joey Vincent, 129, Las Vegas, four.

▶ **San Diego**—Irish Ronnie Wilson, 165, Vancouver, B.C., now fighting out of San Diego, ripped into Tracy Morrison, 165, Las Vegas, in the fourth round. The result was a KO

Eliseo Lopez, 211, New Mexico, knocked out Laverne Williams, 195, San Diego, in the second round of a scheduled 10.

Alvin Lewis, 133, Los Angeles, decisioned Eddie Mazon, 135½, San Diego, six; Gil Gallardo, 136, Las Vegas, decisioned Joey Vincent, 135, Las Vegas, four.

▶ **San Carlos** — Roberto Amaya, an Olympian for Argentina, is the new California welterweight champion.

Amaya, 145, now based in San Jose, was a fifth round knockout winner over Gilbert De Los Santos, 147, San Jose. This was Amaya's 22nd knockout and 25th win out of 26 starts.

Steve Carter, 189, Oakland, blasted out Andy Nacoste, 202, San Jose, in the third round. Wesley Jones, 147, Oakland, KO over Hernando Villegas, 147½, Mexico, three; Mack Hearn, 169, Oakland, KO over Kasi Katoa, 169, San Jose, three.

▶ **Oakland**—On the Quarry-London card, Irish Mike Quarry, 178, made it nine straight by outpunching George Thomas, 182½, Oakland, in an eight rounder.

Irish Jack Gordon, 225, Hayward, KO over L. C. Brown, 233, Oakland, one; Ray Ellis, 213, San Francisco, KO over John Caruso, 185, San Jose, four.

▶ **Short Socks**—Joe Malone, the Bronx featherweight of the 20's who was a prime New York favorite, is operating a successful health club in Inglewood, the Los Angeles suburb, which also is the site of the Forum . . . Al Silvani, another New Yorker, is in Italy serving as Nino Benvenuti's chief trainer . . . Joey Olmos, a top local referee, has joined the State Commission's office in Los Angeles . . . Sparkey Rudolph, a well known manager of recent years, is returning to the game . . . Sparky is handling Peter Cobblah, African welterweight.

▶ **San Carlos**—With Jim Pusateri at the promotional helm, boxing returned to the Circle Star Theatre. Argentina's Roberto Amaya, 148, blasted out a third round knockout over Chino Arias, 146, Mexico.

In a companion main event, Ray Echavarria, 127½, San Jose, repeated over Marcel Cid, 129, Mexico City, in 10 rounds.

Steve Carter, 188½, Oakland, nodded Marty Franklin, 198, Fresno, eight; Kasi Katoa, 173½, San Jose, stopped Jess Hill, 168, Oakland, one.

▶ **Stockton**—Ely Yares, 135, Manila, P.I., knocked out Tony Porter, 135, Phoenix, in the third round of their scheduled 10.

In a second 10, Tony Arceo, Stockton, decisioned Jerry Jacobs, 147, Oakland.

▶ **Stockton**—Three 10 rounders, featuring imports from the Philippines formed the attraction at Civic Auditorium.

Rudy Villagonza, 121½, Manila, was too strong for Dick Flores, 124½, Sacramento, scoring a knockout in the fourth round. Veteran Billy Brown, 121, Luzon, battered Bobby Diamond, 120½, Stockton, into submission in the sixth round.

Ely Yares, 141, Manila, decisioned Alvin Lewis, 134½, Oakland in 10.

▶ **San Diego**—Johnny Wise, 160, San Diego, nodded Benny (Kid) Barra, 161, Tijuana, Mex., in a 10er at the Coliseum.

Benito Juarez, 138, Las Vegas, decisioned Turco Leyva, 141, Tijuana, 10; Clarence Geiggar, 164, San Diego, KO over Steve Gutierrez, 165, Los Angeles, one.

▶ **San Bernardino**—Shelly Lyons, 152½, Los Angeles, moved too fast for Mooreday Adigun, 162, Nigeria, to gain the decision in a 10-rounder at the Arena. Adigun is the younger brother of Ray.

Irish Mike Quarry, 174, Anaheim, decisioned Kenny Watkins, Jr., 173, Los Angeles, six; Irish Mike Flynn, 124, Dublin, KO over Bobby Ilamas, 129, Los Angeles, two, (cut eye); Pete Vital, 133, El Monte, outpointed Tommy Coulson, 135, Los Angeles, six.

● JOE WALKER RESIGNS ●

By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

Trenton, N.J.—Joe Walker, New Jersey State Boxing Commissioner, who had been at the helm for fifteen years, announced his resignation at the N.J. Boxing Writers 12th annual dinner recently. Joe always played as near to the book as he could and did an outstanding job as top kick. Joe has had two heart attacks in recent years and wants to settle down. Mickey's brother thanked everyone for the memories

▶ **Newark**—Tony Ryles, Paterson welterweight of the 40's, who was under the wing of Angelo Pucci, earned a second place finish in the Sssex County Tourney before 4,000 at the Hayes Home.

Ron Hamm, Paterson, 135, KO'ed Raf Rios, Johnson Ac, in the first.

Eli Hamm, Paterson, 102, brother of Ron, beat Bobby Webb, Johnson AC.

Dennie Wemberly, Johnson AC, last year's Golden Gloves champ, stopped Al Young, Ryles AC, in 35 seconds. John Williams, 135, Ryles AC, KO'ed Ken Williams, Johnson AC, in the first. Chas. Taborn, 147, Ryles AC, beat Clyde Johnson, Newark Dukes.

Jersey Jones, president of Ring No. 9 of Bergen and Passaic Counties, veteran writer for the Ring Magazine, recently was elected President of the National Veterans Boxing Ass'n. convention at Philadelphia.

PUERTO RICO REFEREE TOSSES RENDON, JOHNSON ● IN SEVENTH ●

By Nick Rivera Martino

San Juan, Puerto Rico—A light heavyweight bout between Vincente Paul Rendon, Venezuela, and Paul Johnson, New York, at the Country Club in Rio Piedras, ended in a seven round "No Contest" decision. The match was a mauling affair from the start. Lack of action caused referee Enrique Velazques to stop the bout.

The semi-final 8 rounder saw Nobolo Galvan, Dominican Republic, score a kayo in the first round over Mario Diaz, Puerto Rico.

In another card at the same club, Teo Cruz, former lightweight champion, had to hustle all the way to score a unanimous decision over Grady Ponder, Florida.

A scheduled 10 rounder saw Raimundo Dias, 136, lightweight champion of Brazil, score a TKO in three rounds over Julio "Guacharaco" Viera, 135, Venezuela.

In the semi-final Wilson Yombo, 127, Puerto Rico's best prospect, scored a TKO in the fourth round over Ivon Estman 128, Guayana.

COLTER WINS IN TUCSON, OROPEZA SCORES ● AT PHOENIX ●

By Al Fenn

Tucson, Arizona—Alton Colter, ranking junior lightweight, showed class in taking a 10-round decision over Beto Cruz, 135, El Paso. Colter, 127, gave away eight pounds. He relied on skill to outfight the bigger Cruz, who used a pressing style.

Paco Flores, 147, Tucson won his second pro fight, stopping Ruben Leyvas, 146, El Paso, in three. Tony Parker, 135, Phoenix, decisioned Gildo Federico, 132, Tucson in four. This was Federico's first pro fight. Jamie Wonder, 135, took a five from Jerry Watson, 138.

Las Vegas promoter Bill Miller, spreading out to Phoenix, staged neither a financial nor an artistic success at Theatre in the Round.

Headlining was Phoenix 147 pounder, Dave Oropeza, former National Golden Gloves champion, in his seventh pro fight. He stopped Nino Arias, 145, Mexico, in 1:55 of the second.

Another former National Gloves champ, who also owns a couple of A.A.U. crowns, gave up eight pounds, 118 to 126, to Fermin Villereal, San Diego. Villereal came highly touted but Large, a comer, stopped him in three.

Joe Mazon, 134, San Diego, stopped Anthony Porter, 135, Phoenix in the fourth.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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Manuel Calvo and Tommaso Galli. Austrian Rado halted the bout with only one minute and 50 seconds left of the final round. He considered Calvo's cut left eyebrow a just cause to take him out of the fight. His action did not please the huge crowd which had gathered in the Las Arenas bull ring. Some critics had the challenger in front by five rounds, with three even. Galli was certainly the more scientific boxer, but lacked a punch. Bantamweight. Agustin Senin outscored Dionisio Bisbal, eight. Lightweight. Miguel Velazquez outpointed Konider Meftah, 10. Featherweight. Valentin Loren decisioned Jose Arranz, eight.

ITALY

▶**Pasturo**—Middleweight. Mario Almanzo beat Oscar Loy, TKO two.

▶**Treta**—Welterweight. Garibaldi Pereira drew with Tullio Zanirato, eight.

▶**Mohammed Dia**—Welterweight. Jean Josselin beat Hector Barbosa, KO two.

▶**Cagliari**—Lightweight. Antonio Puddu beat Briton Colin Lake, the bout being halted in the seventh. A cut eye looked bad and in the seventh, Lake took a standing count of eight and the third man stopped it. Flyweight. Michele Spina drew, 10, with Luigi Boschi. Bantamweight. Carmelo Massa outscored Wellington Vilella, eight.

▶**Lecco**—Welterweight. Ermanno Fasoli decisioned Giuseppe Amante, eight.

▶**Messina**—Welterweight. Kid Rainbow beat Italo Duranti, TKO five.

▶**Montecompatri** — Middleweight. Aurelio De Rossi decisioned Ciro Patronelli, 10.

▶**Fiuggi**—Bantamweight. Franco Zurlo beat Glyn Davies, Wales, TKO three. Davies was cut over the right eye in round three, but the doctor allowed him to continue. A left hook shook Zurlo in the first. He took over the fight in round two and decked Davies for nine.

▶**San Remo**—2,500 saw European light welterweight champion Bruno Arcari retain his crown, stopping Spanish challenger Juan Sombrita in the sixth. The 27-year-old champion caught his 10-year older challenger with a left to the head and stomach. He rolled over on his back to be counted out by referee Jean Deswert, Belgium. It was all over with one minute and 46 seconds gone of the sixth. Arcari weighed 138½ and the Spaniard was ¼ pound heavier.

Britain's Walter McGowan also fought on this card. He outscored Umberto Simola, Italy, over eight rounds. The former world flyweight champion, McGowan, was in great form and outboxed the local boy. It was nearly midnight before these two boys climbed into the ring. Super welterweight 24-year-old Renato Maria Romano, Italy, decisioned Ivo Bernuzzi, 28, over 10 frames. Heavyweight. Giorgio Bambini beat Andre Wyne, TKO three.

▶**Finale Ligure** — Lightweight. Carmelo Coscia outpointed Oswald Lang, 10.

▶**Riccione**—Light heavyweight. Gianfranco Macchia beat Oek Griffith, TKO four. Bantamweight. Enzo Farinelli drew, eight, with Wellington Vilella.

▶**Lignano Sabbiardoro**—Light heavyweight Alfredo Vogrig decisioned Jean Tshikuna, eight. Welterweight. Roberto Sgrazzutti outscored Oscar Lionga, eight.

▶**Oriolo**—Welterweight. Franco Caruso outpointed Osei Kofi, eight.

▶**Messina**—Lightweight. Carmelo Coscia decisioned Constantino Fiori, eight. Featherweight. Giovanni Girgenti outscored Enrico Gismondi, eight.

▶**Casenza**—European flyweight champion Fernando Atzori retained his crown with a decision over Kamara Diop, France, in 15. The champion's left eyebrow was cut in the last heat and looked dangerous. The Frenchman had a good ninth round but was warned several times for butting. There were no knockdowns.

Atzori won the crown in 1967 with a win over Rene Libeer and since has made defenses against Libeer, Fritz Chervet, John McCluskey and Franco Sperati. Atzori weighed 112.2 and Diop 111.9. Atzori has won 23 of 25 bouts.

DENMARK

▶**Copenhagen**—11,500 fans in the Idraetspark football stadium saw Tom Bogs dethrone the European middleweight champion, Carlos Duran, over 15 rounds. Ben Brill, Holland, who refereed, saw Bogs the winner by 72 points to 69 with eight frames to the local boy, three to Duran and four even.

A left caught Duran in round 13 and decked him for the first time in his career. He was up quickly only to be showered with blows. Another left put the champion down again. A right then shook Duran but he managed to survive the frame.

The champion was lighter than Bogs. Duran won the crown with a victory over Luis Folledo, Spain, in November 1967, and defended it successfully against Wally Swift, Jupp Elze, Johnny Pritchett and Dieter Schwartz.

Other results on Mogens Palle's program: Heavyweight. Charlie White, Britain, decisioned Hans Jorgen Jacobsen, Denmark, six. Super welterweight. Christian Larsen outpointed Claude Corteille, France, four. Welterweight. Jorgen Hansen, Denmark, beat Lakdal Boniaiche, France, KO three. Middleweight. Tom Jensen, Denmark, outscored Dick Duffy, Wales, six. Lightweight. Borge Krogh and Love Allotey, Ghana, shared an eight-rounder.

GERMANY

▶**Hamburg**—Some 5,000 saw Jurgen Blin decision Dave Bailey over 10 rounds. Heavyweight. Herbert Wick, Germany, beat Frankin Arrindel, West Indies, KO five. Super welterweight. Willi Quatuor, Germany, outpointed Harry Pitulainen, Finland, eight. Middleweight. Hans Dieter Schwartz, Germany, decisioned Sugar Boy Hassan, Nigeria, eight. Super welterweight. Horst Brinkmayer outpointed fellow German, Helmut Schmidt, eight.

YUGOSLAVIA

▶**Differdingen** — European light heavyweight champion Yvan Prebeg won his defense, beating Horst Wieczorek. The visitor was in front in the early rounds but in frame five a right hook decked him for seven. He visited the canvas again in frames six and seven and then the towel was thrown in.

FRANCE

▶**Rheims**—Robert Gallois, France, beat Louis Driver, Luxembourg, referee stopping the fight in round four.

AUSTRIA

▶**Neustadt**—Former European champion, Johann Orsolics, Austria, beat Bernard Dandu, Nigeria, KO, eight.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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Peter Hughes, Cardiff, 148, stopped John Law, Middlesborough, 146½, in the fifth.

▶**Manchester** — Barry Calderwood, Manchester, scored a good win at the expense of Dave Cranswick, Cardiff, in a welterweight eight.

Young Silky, Leeds, outpointed Gerry McBride, Manchester, in a featherweight eight.

Richard Dunn, Halifax, stopped Jack Cotes, Mansfield, in the second of a heavyweight bout.

Phil Cassidy, Liverpool, knocked out Joe Eustace, Bootle, in the sixth of a welterweight bout.

▶**Durban**—John O'Brien, Glasgow, stayed over in South Africa, to stop Ernest Baronet, former bantam and featherweight champion of South Africa, in the fourth. The latter retired at the end of the round. O'Brien had outpointed Arnold Taylor in 10 at Joburg.

▶**World Sporting Club, London** — Ray Brittle, Southall, former British amateur, 174, became the new Southern Area Champion, when he outpointed Dickie Owens, Reading, 173, in one of the best cruiserweight bouts seen here for some time.

Toward the end, Owens, sensing that his title was leaving him, went in with both fists flying, driving Brittle around the ring in the ninth and tenth. He failed to overcome the early lead of Brittle.

As this was a voluntary defense by Owens, he asked Brittle for a chance to reverse the decision. Brittle agreed.

Howard Sharpe, Harlesden, 161, took two rounds of hard hitting to force Jim Thompson, Scottish amateur champion, 162, to call it a day at the end of the second round.

Jim Watt, Glasgow, former amateur lightweight champion, made a welcome appearance, with a good win over Winston Thomas, Jamaica, in a lightweight contest stopped in the fourth, to save Thomas from further punishment. This makes his fourth win since he decided to compete for cash.

Don McAlinden, Coventry based Irishman, 210, winner of The World Sporting Club £1,000 heavyweight competition, cut loose against Obe Hepburn, Jamaica, 189½, and the referee had to come to the assistance of Hepburn after he had taken several counts during four rounds.

▶**Premier Sporting Club, London**—Peter Quinn, junior welter, Swindon, showed high potential in his short battle with Pat McCormack, Brixton.

Although the bout lasted only 55 seconds, Quinn demonstrated enough to warrant a rise in the ratings. As he was pressed by McCormack the Swindon fighter unleashed a left hook to McCormack's jaw. He followed up with two right handers to the head. The Irish lad tried gamely to rise at eight, but fell to the canvas, where he was counted out

Steve Elliston, Brixton, and Roger Howes, Norwich, fought a draw in a featherweight eight.

Billy Aird, Liverpool, outpointed John Cullen, Northampton, in a heavyweight six.

Pat Vernie, Islington, outpointed Joe Somerville, Berkhampstead, in a middleweight six.

▶**Shoreditch, London** — Johnny Cheshire, Ayr, former amateur featherweight champion, failed to stop Victor Paul, Nigeria, as he appeared likely to do in the early rounds. Paul was made of sterner stuff, taking all that Cheshire could dish out in the first two rounds. Paul came back as Cheshire came apart towards the end of the fourth. The fifth lasted only 45 seconds when the referee came to Cheshire's assistance.

Bernie Terrell, Edmonton, enhanced his reputation with a good win over Chris Jobson, East Ham, who was stopped in the eighth and final round. The referee intervened.

Mickey Oats, West Ham, outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, in a lightweight six.

Maurice Steves, Wandsworth via India, and John Mitchell, Scotland, founght a bantamweight draw in six.

Freddie Wreden, West Ham, outpointed Granville Glasman, Jamaica, in a cruiserweight six. Both were making their debuts as pros.

A "Requiem For Rocky Marciano," at St. Peter's Church, Clerkenwell, London, was attended by many sportsmen and sportswomen.

The service was conducted by Father Eugene Proietti, and Henry Cooper read the lesson from St. Paul's Letter to the Thessalonians.

Among the gathering was Don Cockell, who was the only fighter present to have met Marciano in combat.

▶A welcome visitor was the former featherweight boxer of the 1930 era, Joe Leigh, who is a masseur to Lo Angeles' movie colony.

SONGBIRD WILLIAMS YODELS DIRGE OVER GABINO IN TEN

By Tom Ephrem

Tampa, Fla. — Robert (Songbird) Williams is humming a new tune, "The Second Time Around." It fit so nicely in his 10 round victory over Jose (Pollo) Gabino, after having dropped a six rounder to the Mexican several months ago at Houston.

The Tampa win was a split tab. Gabino gave the fight a good start but the Tennesseean finished better. The weights, Williams, 150, and Gabino, Reynosa, Mexico, 149½.

In his fourth trip into the pro ring Tony Licata again came out on top by registering a one round knockout over Charlie Fullard, Fernandina Beach. Licata, 150, softened his foe with body punches and ended the match in 1:55.

Willie McBride, 156½, Tampa, who like his fighting brother Hector remains undefeated, ran up another knockout. His victim was Yankee Brown, 160, Melbourne, Fla. The time was 1:39 of round three.

Leroy Caldwell, 194½, New Orleans, was a six round winner over Tiger Brown, 215, Orlando. Jack Tillman, 147, Mobile, quite a favorite in his home town, knocked out Claudius Taylor, 152, Eustis, in 1:55 of the first.

▶**Orlando**—Andy Kendall had a short and successful visit here. Matched against Jimmy Lee Watson, Chicago, Kendall sent Watson to sleep and the good-sized crowd home early after 27 second of the second round. Kendall came in heavy at 182 and Watson hit 195. A left hook to the body followed by a right to the chin proved Andy's point.

Cody Gainer, 195, Plant City, wrapped a kayo in 45 seconds of the fourth round over Tiger Brown, 212. Henry Hall, a night club bouncer weighing 218½, Orlando, clubbed Carl Hines, 195¼, Leesburg, for a TKO in 1:35 of the third.

Hector McBride, 128¼, undefeated, Tampa youngster won a six round decision over Kit Sheffield, Eustis lightweight. Donald Jackson, 160, Eustis, and John Thomas, 155, Apopka, travelled four rounds to a draw.

▶An eight round feature involving light heavyweights Carl Zurheide, Houston, and Tommy shaffer, Uniontown, Pa., went to the Texan by a unanimous vote. The scrap between Roy Alexander, 209, Orlando, and Bob Ellis, 208, Gainesville, ended in a six round draw.

Cyril Clark, 180, Orlando, scored a unanimous decision in six over Henry Hall, 205, Orlando.

The Fighting McBrides of Tampa were winners. Hector, the featherweight, scored a TKO in 1:04 of the third round over Raymond Conover. Middleweight Willie won unanimously in six from Claudius Taylor, Eustis.

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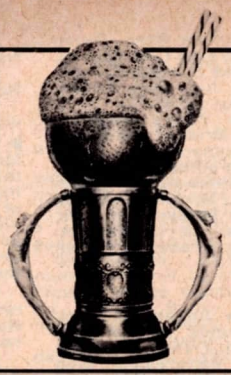

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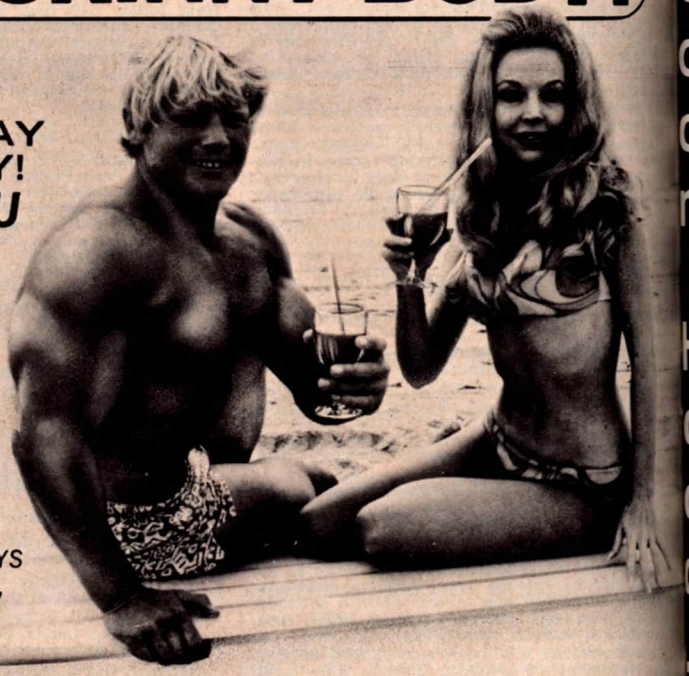

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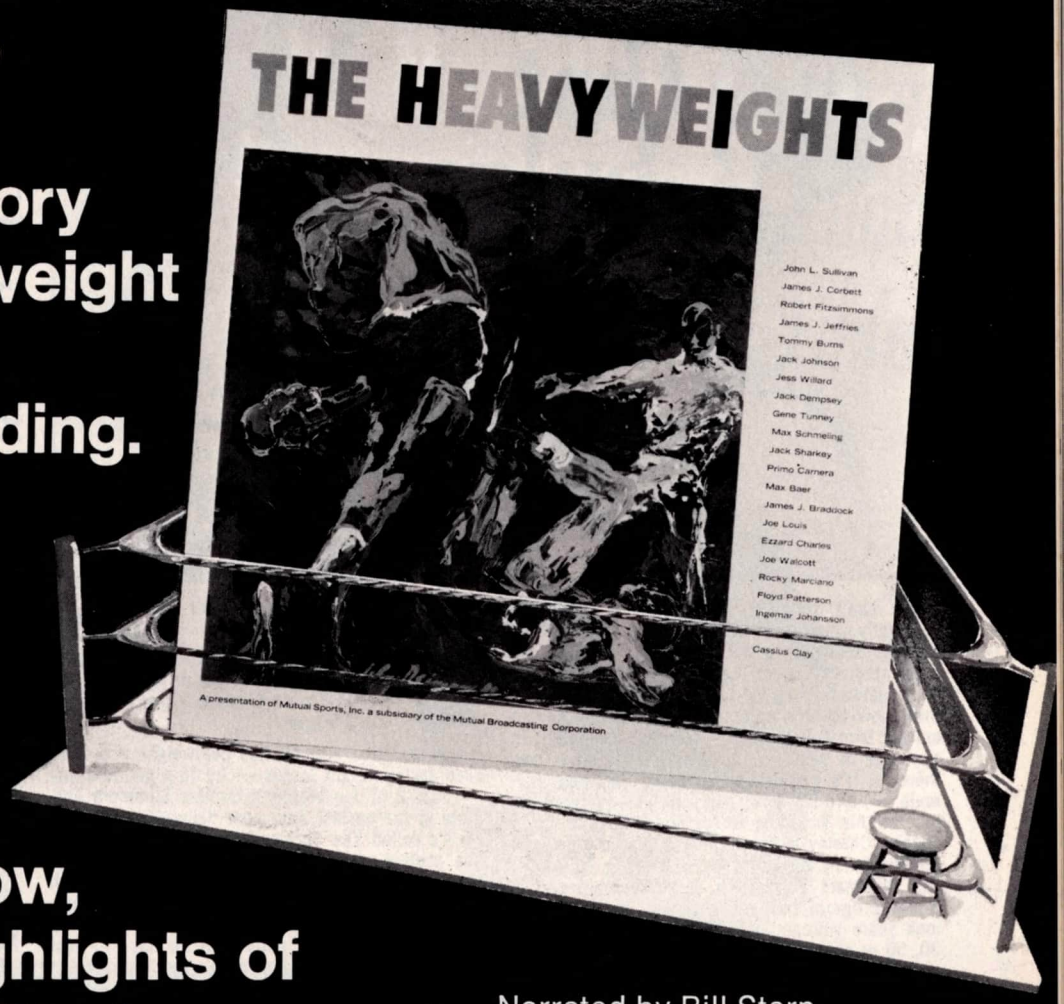

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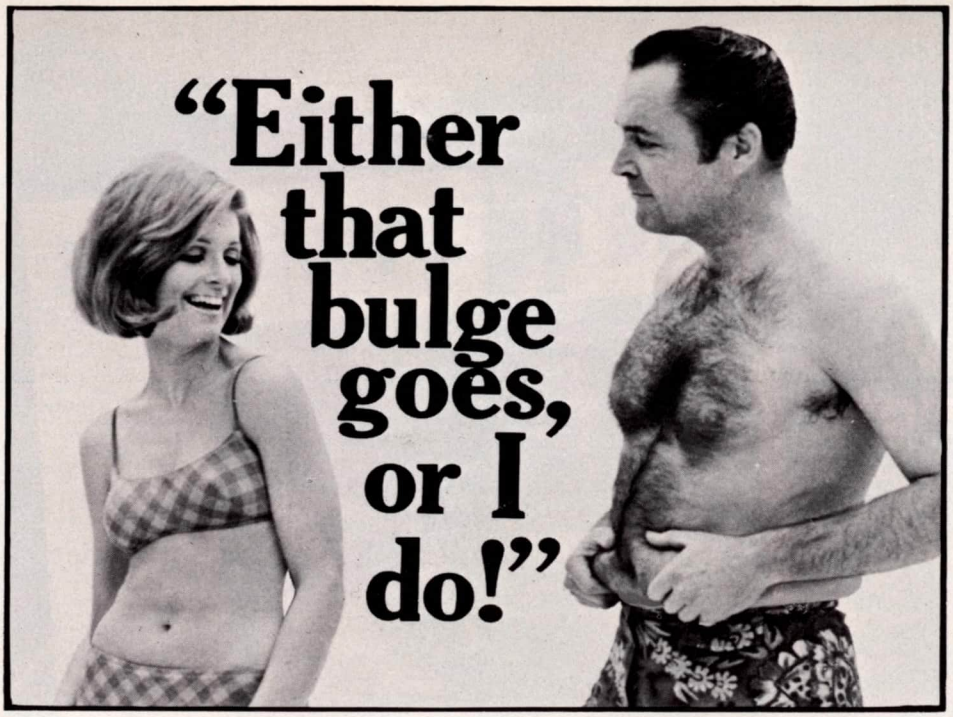

A girl can't stomach a guy with a pot belly. Especially when he's in a swim suit for all the world to see. It does nothing for her image to be associated with a Mr. Lard Belly. And it doesn't do a blessed thing for him, either.

Until now there was no simple, foolproof way to quickly trim your waist — reduce your weight in a matter of days — and keep it there. But now there is. It's Joe Weider's famous **Slimmers Formula** — a ridiculously easy way for a Slim Jim to trim his waistline and shape up. And for a chubby Charley to lose up to a pound-a-day, 14 pounds in 14 days.

The **Slimmers Formula** is a **guaranteed,** simple 3-part program that really works — making you look years younger. Age is no problem: yes, 20, 30, 50 or even 70, you'll look and feel like a new man — **fast,** or you get every penny back. This is the only **guaranteed** way to lose inches off your waist, hips or any other part of your body and regain that youthful, athletic look in the privacy of your home — regardless of your years. There just isn't any other way. It's so good it's endorsed by coaches, physical education instructors and physique champions everywhere.

1 THE "SLIM GARD"

The Instant Slimmer — Trims inches off your waist, hips and lower back — without dieting — without exercising.

For a speedy "Getaway" on the Slimmers Formula, slip on **Slim-Gard** . . . then take it easy, for while you're sitting around, watching TV, relaxing or eating, your waist, hips and small of the back are getting an effortless "going over" that takes inches off your soft belly without your even knowing it. It hugs your body gently but firmly, keeping warm air in — cool air out — trimming inches effortlessly away! **Slim-Gard** works effectively for the fat or slender man. Instructions are included for the fat man who wants to quickly lose 20 to 100 pounds . . . and for the slender fellow who wants to lose only a few inches without losing weight. And **Slim-Gard** is **hidden — no one knows — nothing shows . . . except the inches that go! You're guaranteed impressive results in 10 days or your money back.**

Building a natural Muscle Girdle that holds in your waist for life is easy, when you buy and use

SLIM GARD and The Slimmers Routine. Only $9.98

2 "SLIMMER" SHAKE

Helps You Lose Up to a Pound-A-Day — 14 Pounds in 14 Days — Without Losing Your Strength and Vigor.

If you're 10 to 100 pounds overweight and want even faster weight losses — up to a-pound-a-day — Part 2 of Joe Weider's famous **Slimmers Formula** is the easiest and most delicious way to do it. It's called **The Slimmer Shake** — a scrumptuous **protein-enriched** milkshake-flavored drink. It supplies nutrients to your body that charge it with **power** and **vim** while it slenderizes you. Even chubby guys who won't even lift a finger can lose up to a-pound-a-day, 14 pounds in 14 days — just drinking **The Slimmer Shake!** It's the first and the best for fast weight losses . . . that's why even the world's strongest and best-built men and Olympic champions drink it to get in shape quickly.

For fast overall weight losses you should order

SLIMMER SHAKE and The Slimmers Routine. Only $11.98

(2 weeks supply)
(Choice of Chocolate or Vanilla)

FREE! THE SLIMMERS ROUTINE

Savvy Slimming Tricks To Shape You Up and Trim You Down

Here's Part 3 of the **Slimming Formula** the surprisingly effortless "Aerobic/Circuit" Training routine used by athletes, coaches and the world's best-built men to get in shape fast. Within 10 days you'll instantly start slimming down — your muscles grow stronger — your chest expands — shoulders broaden — waist tapers down — to create a more exciting, youthful **you.** You need this "Aerobic/Circuit" routine NOW! — because it's the **youthful-appearing** man who gets the **stays ahead!**

SPECIAL OFFER!

3 SLIM GARD and SLIMMERS SHAKE and The Slimmers Routine

ALL THREE (a $21.98 value) For only $17.9

MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

I am so positive this is the only simple, safe and effortless way you can see impressive results in just 10 days — **Inches Must Go Fast— or every penny back.** Joe Weider

Trainer of the champions . . . with more than 2,000,000 successful students

NOW!—START MOVING YOUR BELT BACK A FEW NOTCHES—AND KEEP IT THERE

It's so easy — so simple to slim down and shape up for life with my effortless **guaranteed 1-2-3 Slimmers Formula.** Attack your weight problem these 3-ways: (1) Wear **Slim-Gard** to slim inches off your flabby belly and hips. (2) Drink **The Slimmer Shake** to lose weight all over — up to a pound-a-day, 14 pounds in 14 days. (3) Do the effortless **"Slimmer Routine." WHY NOT GET STARTED RIGHT AWAY?** 10 days from now you'll be so happy you did! Don't miss out on this once-in-a-lifetime **Guaranteed** "Get Slim" offer. Clip and mail the **NO RISK COUPON NOW** — while it's still handy.

SLIM DOWN — SHAPE UP — OR IT COSTS YOU NOTHING!

JOE WEIDER Dept. 173-129SG
Famous Fitness School
531 - 32nd Street
Union City, N.J. 07087

Dear Joe: YES! I want to start slimming down at your risk! I am enclosing only the special low price for the plan I need to "SLIM DOWN" and "SHAPE UP." If I am not completely satisfied, I can return the unused material within 5 days for a full refund of the purchase price.

CHECK THE "SLIMMING DOWN" PLAN YOU NEED BELOW:

1. ☐ **SLIM GARD** and Free Course ..... **Only $ 9.98**
2. ☐ **SLIMMERS SHAKE** and Free Course **Only $11.98**
3. ☐ **SPECIAL OFFER:** Slim Gard, Slimmer Shake and Course **$17.96**

I enclose check or money order for: $.....

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Prices do not include small shipping and postal charges.